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EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

Beatrice, Neb., had a $20,000 fire.

Secretary Long says hazing does not exist.

January Philippine casuality list is heavy.

The burial of the late Composer Verdi was simple.

Kink Carlos of Portugal was warmly greeted at London.

The Venezuela revolutionists have been defeated again.

Field Marshal Count Guorka died on his estate at Scharow, near Iver, Russia.

Clarence Mackey has ordered at Paris an automobile racer to cost 85,000 francs.

A motion requesting Mrs. Nation to address the Kansas legislature was tabled in the house.

By an explosion of gunpowder at Shan Hail Kwan, China, forty Japanese soldiers lost their lives.

An issue of $2,850,000 bonds to erect a marble public library building at New York has been authorized.

The city orphan asyium of New York has received orders for 2000 babies from different parts of the Union.

A clergyman in a Boston Methodist church during his sermon denounced King Edward as a gambler and a cheat.

The father of Fred Alexander, the negro burned to death at Leavenworth, Kan., will sue that city and county for damages.

By the provision of the army bill there will be 270 promotions in the cavalry, 250 in the artillery and 340 in the infantry.

At a meeting of the share-holders of the Deutsche Greunschuld bank of Berlin it was voted that the institution go into liquidation.

A resolution in the Indiana senate instructing the governor to recognize a requisition for Taylor and Finley was voted to be out of order.

The Svet of St. Petersburg says Kruger was not received at Berlin because Germany needs the assistance of England in the far East.

Contractor Gibson of Indiana pleaded guilty to charge of attempting to bribe Gov. Longino of Mississippi and was fined $1000 and costs.

Serious conflicts have taken place at Kieff university between students and Cossacks, and many of the former were killed or wounded.

Young men of Parkdale, a suburb of Topeka, Kan., have organized what they term the "Hatchet club." They favor Mrs. Nation's tactics.

Thirty-five persons perished in a hurricane at Herre, Norway. Sixty boats were sunk in the harbor and eight houses were blown away.

The autopsy on the body of Curtis L. Crane, who died while boxing with his closest friend, Geo. R. Ainsworth, at Harvard university, shows that Crane died from heart disease.

John A. Hensley, president of the board of control of the endowment rank of the Knights of Pythias, has resigned, and C. F. S. Neal of Lebanon, Ind., has been elected president.

A sensation was created at Hudson, Mass., by the arrest of Edward T. Mills, for several years town tax collector, upon a warrant charging him with being a defaulter in the sum of $9000.

Jeff Bybee, widely known in turf circles on the Pacific coast, died at Portland, Or., aged 82 years. He went to Oregon in 1847, and for many years was engaged in the occupation of raising and training thoroughbred horses.

HILL CANNOT COME

To Texas and Address Members of the Legislature

OWING TO PROFESSIONAL DUTIES.

In a Communication Dated Albany the ex-Senator Trusts New York and Lone Star May Agree Politically.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 6.—The following communication from Hon. David B. Hill of Albany, N. Y., in response to the invitation to deliver an address before the Texas legislature was read in the senate Tuesday morning:

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Hon. J. N. Browning, President of Senate, and Hon. R. E. Prince, Speaker of the House, Austin, Tex.: Gentlemen—I am in receipt of your telegrom of recent date informing me of the passage of the legislature of Texas inviting me to address that body on the political topics of the day at such time as may suit my convenience during its present session.

Please express to the legislature my sincere thanks for this very great honor conferred in the invitation so courteously tendered, which I very much appreciate. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to personally meet the honored legislative representatives of your state at its capital, but I regret that my professional engagements during the next three months are such that I can not well leave here. I trust, however, that at some future time I may have the acquaintance of your people, about whom I have read and heard so much.

In conclusion permit me to express the hope that when normal political conditions shall be restored in the country—an event which can not long be postponed—New York and Texas will be found again together in successful opposition to radicalism, pluto cracy and centralization, and in favor of conservation, popular rights and constitutional liberty. I remain your fellow citizen, . DAVID B. HILL.

Queen's Name Hissed.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6.—Wild waves of enthusiasm for everything that was Boer, with storms of hisses and howls for British soldiers and rulers, swept over a Central Music hall audience Tuesday night. Cheers for Kruger, Steyn, De Wet and Botha rang out with cries of "shame for Kitchener and Lord Roberts from the audience which had assembled to hear the Boer envoys, Hercules, D. Viljoen and P. Louter Wessels, plead their cause.

The mention of the name of Queen Victoria called forth hisses and denunciations from the crowd. Mr. Viljeon, who comes direct from the seat of war in South Africa, where he acted as field cornet, told of scenes, which he said he had left, "of wives torn from their husbands, children left without mothers and homes pillaged, destroyed and ruined."

Viljoen denied that President Kruker had deserted his cause to go to Europe, but asserted that it was only after days of entreaty that he was induced to go. Mr. Wessels, a cousin of President Steyns, of the Orange Free State, was confident of ultimate success.

"No matter how dark the cloud may seem now, there were never bright silver rims about it as at present," was his remark.

Praise for William.

London, Feb. 6.—All the morning papers comment in a tone of greatest gratitude and admiration upon Emperor William's visit.

"No royal vsit ever impressed the hearts and mind of the nation so deeply," says the Times.

The Daily Telegraph, whose remarks are in a similar vein, reiterates its statement that there is not the slightest foundation for the suggestions that Emperor William will interfere in the South African question.

Hotel Horror.

Binghamton, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Two persons perished and three were fatally injured in a fire which totally destroyed the Exposition hotel. The dead:

Harry Severson, musician, burned beyond recognition.

Sid Holland, a horseman, suffocated.

Fatally injured:

Tom Cook, a racing man, burned.

John Regon, face, head and body frightfully burned and internally injured.

Fatal Capsizing.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 6.—On the Alabama river seventeen miles south of here the ferryboat at Reese's ferry started across the river heavily loaded with farmers' wagons. When about midway of the stream the cable broke and the boat was swept down the river al teams of mules and five or six persons drowned and several others narrowly escaped.

The names of the parties are not obtainable.

BLAZE NEAR LAKE,

Mr. Galey Speaks on the Condition of Oil Interests.

Beaumont, Tex., Feb. 6.—There was considerable excitement here Tuesday, caused by a report that the Lucas oil lake was on fire. About 10:30 a. m. a courfer brought the information of the fire to Mr. Galey and Capt. Lucas and they hastily summoned what help they could and went to the scene. Nothing was heard of the fire until late Tuesday evening. At noon Tuesday a tremendous cloud of smoke of intense blackness rose like a huge chain of mountains in the neighborhood of the well and hung there for several hours.

Capt. Lucas reached here late Tuesday night. He said they had succeeded in extinguishing it after a deal of hard work. The fire was about five miles southwest of the Lucas well and oil lake. It will be remembered that the oil from the Lucas gush overowed the dams and flowed through the water courses to Taylor's bayou and the gulf. It was the accumulation of oil on the waters of Taylor's bayou which was burning. How the fire started is a mystery.

The Lucas well is in little danger from fire. It is covered with a huge pile of sand and even should the oil lake burn the well would not be injured.

A representative of the press Tuesday called on John H. Galey for an explicit statement concerning the reports that he had sold his crude oil to the Standard Oil company and Mr. Galey gave a very direct statement to the effect that he had not sold to the Standard, principally because the Standard did not want to buy.

"The reports, however," said Mr. Galey, "that the Standard is building this pipe line to Elvista is absolutely incorrect. We, Guffy and Galey, are doing this work and expect to carry it through. In short, we are going to build storage tanks at Elvista and a pumping plant at Port Arthur to handle the oil into the ships. Now it has been very thoroughly demonstrated that we can not sell this oil until we have it where we can see and measure it, and for this reason we must get it out of the ground and into tanks before we can make big contracts for it. We have to open up new markets for this crude oil. The Standard does not want it because it has more fuel oil now than it knows what to do with. We expect to get railroads, steamships and manufacturers to use it, and before we can do this we must have it. We are going to make Elvista the principal storage station to lessen the danger of fires.

Several more leases were filed for record Tesday, in fact activity along this line seems to steadily increase.

Several derricks were built in the neighborhood of the Lucas well Tuesday and that place is becoming a scene of activity.

Youtsey Sentenced.

Georgetown, Ky., Feb. 6.—Henry E. Youstsey was sentenced by Judge Cantrill and enters upon his term of life imprisonment. Youtsey was pale and weak when he stood up to receive the sentence of the court. His wife sat near by and heard the sentence consigning her husband to the penitentiary for life, but bore up under the ordeal bravely.

"My Youtsey, stand up," said the judge.

"Now," continued the judge, "have you any reason to give why sentence should not be pronounced upon you?"

In a low tone Youtsey said:

"I have nothing to say except that I am innocent and that my conviction was accomplished only by base and infamous subornation of perjury."

"That was a subject which you should have addressed to the jury which convicted you," answered the judge. "It is the judgment of this court that you be removed by the sheriff of Scott county to the state penitentiary at Frankfort and there be confined at hard labor for the period of your natural life."

Emperor William has returned to Berlin.

Shot While Escaping.

Biloxi, Miss., Feb. 6.—Constable Alfonse Benny of Gulfport, reported Tuesday evening that he had shot and killed in the northern part of the county the negro Lewis, whose murder of Marshal Walter Richardson of Gulfport some time ago caused so much indignation and excitement in this section. The negro was killed while resisting arrest and the pistol with which he shot Richardson was taken from him by the constable.

Boycott Lifted.

New York, Feb. 6.—Typographical Union No. 6 has decided by formal vote to withdraw the boycott against the New York Sun and to take no further hostile steps against that newspaper. Official noicte that the strike has been called off and the boycott lifted was delivered to the Sun Tuesday. This action of the union was unsolicited by the Sun and was unattended by any conditions. The difference between the Sun and union have existed some time

MARSHALL'S FAME

Duly Remembered on the Centennial Anniversary

OF HIS INSTALLATION IN CHIEF

Justice Chair of the United States Supreme Court—Messrs. Fuller and MacVeagh the Speakers.

Washington, Feb. 5.—John Marshall of Virginia was installed a chief justice of the United States one hundred years ago Monday, and at 10 o'clock that morning the centennial anniversary of that occasion was celebrated with impressive ceremonies in the hall of the house of representatives at the capitol.

The progromme arranged by the joint committee of congress and William Wirt Howe of New Orleans, president of the American Bar asosciation, was simple and dignified, as became the life of the great jurist. The president and his cabinet, the members of the supreme court, the members of the senate and house, the diplomatic corps and members of the bar association attended as invited guests. Many other distinguished persons were in the galleries, which were reserved for those holding cards of admission. Although the various official bodies entered the all together, they were not announced as on formal occasions. President McKinley and the members of the cabinet were the last to arrive. The entire assemblage rose and remained standing until they had seated themselves.

Representative Dalzel lof Pennsylvania called the assemblage to order. He stated briefly the action of congress in providing for the ceremonies and the selection of Chief Justice Fuller as presiding officer. The chief justice, in his official robes, was escorted to the chair by Representatives Grosvenor of Ohio and Richardson of Tennessee. Rev. Dr. William Strother Jones of Trenton, N. J., a great grandson of John Marshall, invoked the divine blessing.

The chief justice of the supreme court, Mr. Fuller, then addressed the assemblage.

Chief Justice Fuller's address was devoted almost entirely to the consideration of his predecessor's career as an expounder of the federal constitution.

At the conclusion of Justice Fuller's speech Mr. MacVeagh delivered an oration, saying in part:

"Today is dedicated to the law. I therefore speak to you as a lawyer, and I congratulate you that it is part of our happy fortune that the occasion which brings us together offers in itself its amplest and completest justification. It would indeed have been a grave dereliction of duty if the brotherhood of American lawyers, on the bench and at the bar, had not assembled to honor with fitting observances the centennial anniversary of the entrance of John Marshall into the office of chief justice of the supreme court of the United States.

He closed as follows:

"In cherishing these aspirations and in striving to realize them, we are wholly in the spirit of the great chief justice, and we can in no other way so effectually honor hs memory as by laboring in season and out of season, to make this whole continent of America 'one splendid monument, not of oppression and terror, but of wisdom, of peace and of liberty on which men may gaze with admiration forever.'"

Mr. MacVeagh spoke for an hour and three-quarters. His peroration provoked an outburst of applause which was led by the president, his cabinet and the members of the supreme court.

The exercises closed with a benediction by Rev. Couden, the chaplain of the houes. In one of the galleries was F. Lewis Marshall of Orange Courthouse, Va., the oldest descendant of Chief Justice Marshall.

Was Remembered.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 5.—In Chicago, where the idea of celebrating the assumption office by the first chief justice of the supreme court of the United States was conceived and promulgated, all legal machinery was silent Monday, while bench and school, society and others of the laity paid homage to the memory of John Marshall.

The federal courts as well as the civil and criminal courts of Cook county were closed.

Trains Released

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 5.—Snowbound trains were released, and although schedules have not been restored entirely, no more delay is expected. Missouri, Pacific trains stalled on the Central branch were released with the aid of snow plows or forced their way through the banks of snow with double-headers. In central Kansas a slight thaw set in Monday, and as the ground was not frozen hard the water will be absorbed and result in good to wheat.

IN THE MAUSOLEUM

At Frogmore the Remains of the Late Queen Were Laidry

Windsor, Feb. 5.—The last honors have been paid to Queen Victoria. Her body now rests peacefully near that of her husband in the mausoleum at Frogmore. The final ceremonies were more of a pathetic character than any of the obsequies which have preceded them.

Shortly before 3 o'clock Monday, in the presence of the royal mourners the Grenadier Guard of honor lifted the coffin from its temporary resting place in the Albert memorial chapel and placed it on a gun carriage. In the meanwhile the queen's company of Grenadiers, drawn up in a quadrangle, presented arms and wheeled into line, their lines at reverse, and with slow measured stride, marched toward the castle gate. At the head of the procession was a band playing Chopin's funeral march. On the gun carriage was the same regalla which had attracted the eyes of millions since the march to theg rave began at Osborne. Close behind walked King Edward, Emperor William, the Duke of Connaught, wearing dark military overcoats and plumed cocked hats and looking pale and careworn. In similar dull attire were the kings of Portugal and Belgium. All heads were bent. The blue and gray of the German Princes redeemed the royal group from perfect somberness of color. Behind these walked Queen Alexandria and the royal princesses deeply veiled. As the last of these veiled women passd out from the castle there came two boys dressed in bright tarletan kilts and velvet jackets. Between them was a young girl, her fair, loose hair glittering against the crape of her mourning veil. Two of these were chilmourning veil. Two of these were children of Princess Henry of Battenberg, and the other was little Prince Edward of York. His tiny legs could hardly keep pace even with the slow progress of the mourning band.

The rear of the procession was brought up by the suites of the king and princess, their vari-colored overcoats forming a striking patch of color. Down the long walk with the band still playing Chopin's dirge, this quiet throng slowly made its way to the mausoleum. The horses attached to the gun carriage were inclined to be restive, but, as an extra precaution, a drag of ropes was attached to the wheels and held by sturdy artillerymen.

At the lodge gates the strain of the band died away and the pipers commenced their lament.

There, between the broad avenue of stately trees the crowd was the thickest, forming dense black bands.

By 3:30 p. m. the crowd, bareheaded, passed into the outer lodge, which leads to he Frogmore inclosure, where none but the family and servants were admitted. The choir met them and the royal famly and their relatives entered the burial place so dear to the late queen, ranging themselves on each side of the coffin. The bishop of Winchester read the last part of the burial service. After further singing by the choir the bnediction was given and, amid the privacy of this family tomb, the last farewells were said, the funeral came to an end, the mourners drove to the castle and the crowds dispersed.

Observed by Many.

London. Feb. 5. — The following cities held memorial services:

At Cape Town.—Five thousand members of the Loyal Woman's Guild sang a hymn and marched past the statue of Queen Victoria. The city was draped in mourning.

Ottawa.—All Canada held funeral services and purple, black and white colors were displayed.

At Manila.—A military salute was fired here.

At New York.—Trinity church was filled at the memorial services.

At Copenhagen.—The royal family attended the funeral services.

At Hong Kong.—The queen's statue was decorated and services held at the English cathedral.

At Lisbon.—Flags were draped everywhere.

Saloons Destroyed.

Pittsburg, Kan., Feb. 5.—A number of women, wives of prominent citizens, attacked the two saloons running at McCune, a small town fifteen miles west of here, and destroyed the furniture and fixtures at both places and a large quantity of liquor. The damages amounts to about $500.

The women held a short prayer service first, and then, after arming themselves with hatchets and ball bats, began their work.

No Signs of Life.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 5.—H. M. S. Amphion arrived from England. She reports passing a ship's boat off the California coast full of water. There was no sign of life on board.

While at Panama her officers visited the scenes of strife. Several small skirmishes occurred while they were there, but no big fights. They report an American named Rose in charge of the Nupp gun outside Panama for the government troops.

QUEEN'S REMAINS

Taken Along Streets of the British Metropolis.

THOUSANDS WITNESS THE MARCH.

Memorial Services are Held in Anglican Churches in a Number of Cities in Many Countries.

London, Feb. 4.—The firing of minute guns and the tolling of bells at 11:15 a. m. Saturday announced to the countless multitudes who had been crowding London's muddy streets since daylight that the funeral procession with the body of Queen Victoria had begun its passage through the capital.

The people fought for hours for a glimpse of the coffin and the kings and others following it. They saw a long procession of soldiers, a passing show of dazzling regalia with a hundred royalties crowding after, and then disperserd, while all the church chimes of the city were ringing muffled dirges.

Europe has seen grander royal funeral's than the queen's and had a more gorgeous spectacle in the celebration of her sixty years of reign, but no episode in the Victorian era will live so deeply impressed on the memory of those who witnessed it or participated in the ceremonies.

The day was somber, wet and chilly, as are most of London's winter days. The cloudy sky added to the gloom of the whole city.

The procession, apart from the gun carriage bearing the coffin and the royal family and official mourners about it, was not noteworthy. Parliament, the judiciry and the commercial bodies, were not represented. Royalty, the army and navy, monopolized the pageant. Three thousand soldiers and sailors, picked companies representing all branches of the service—cavalry, artillery, yeomanry, militia volunteers and colonials—formed the advance escort. They marched slowly and without music. Most of the uniforms were covered with dark overcoats and the standards were draped with black, the officers wearing bands of crape on their sleeves. The infantry mached in columns of four, with rifles reversed. They were half an hour in passing. Then came Field Marshal Earl Roberts and his staff, and after them four massed bands playing funeral marches. Three hundred musicians announced the coming of the body of the queen. There was a long array of court officials.

Most of the spectators expected an imposing catafalque, and the coffin was almost past before they recognized its presence by removing their hats. There was a pathetically small oblong block concealed beneath a rich pall of white satin on corners of which gleamed the royal arms. Across the pall the royal standard was draped, and a large crown of gold encrusted with jewels rested at the head of the gun carriage, just over the gun.

At the foot of the coffin there were two smaller crowns with a jeweled scepter lying between them. The eight horses which drew the gun carriage were almost concealed beneath their rich harnesses. A coffin bow of purple was attached to the coffin. This was the only symbol of mourning.

Immediately after the company about the coffin, three royal mourners rode abreast. King Edward VII. was the central figure of the three. The king's familiar face semed grave and careworn.

The people seemed to see in the king one of themselves, and the deep murmurs which arose here and there car- a note of sorrow and love almost as deep as the expressions which greeted the passage of the coffin of their queen.

Beside King Edward rode Emperor William, his nephew and neighbor. The unique commanding figunre of the German emperor could not for a moment be mistaken.

On the king's left rode his brother, the Duke of Connaught, a man of solid ried not of sorrow and love almost as ognized by the populace.

In the second rank, behind rode two more sovereigns, the kings of Portugal and Greece.

Governor General Attended.

Havana, Feb. 4.—Gov. Gen. Wood and his staff, the foreign consuls and many Cubans and Spaniards attended memorial services in honor of Queen Victoria held by British subjects.

Cathedral Crowded.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 4.—Queen Victoria memorial services were held at Christ church cathedral.

Capt. Martin of Jackson barracks and Commander Selfridge of the lighthouse district represented the United States army and navy.

British Consul Van Sittart and the foreign consuls attended in a body, accompanied by officers of the Grman warship now here. The vessel fired a salute of eighty-one guns, one for each year of the queen's life.

SOLEMN AND SIMPLE

Were the Services Held in the Historic St. George's Chapel.

Windsor, Feb. 4.—By noon many notabilities, in full uniform, had arrived and the streets were jammed. The scarlet cloaks of the life guards, the busbies of the Grenadiers and the helmets of the infantry lined the streets picturesguely. Sand was scattered along the route to prevent the possibility of slipping.

The court yard of the castle was filled with spectators. Exquisite wreaths were placed outside the chapel walls and almost covered the steps up which the coffin was brought Inside people in gorgeous uniforms and in deep black were taking up their places Pages wearing the dress of the George III. period, with big lace ruffles, bright-red coats and white breeches and stockings, flitted her and there es and stockings, fitted her and there and the court attendants in black and gold were moving about.

St. George chapel was a magnificent sight and divided attention with the officials of the College of Heralds, gorgeous in quaint mantles, tabards and insignias, and the medieval-looking men of the guard, carrying the halberds.

There was a slight drizzle in the morning, which served to discourage somewhat the waiting crowds who had taken their places in sthe stands, prepared for a long wait. Squads of policemen poured in steadily, lining and guarding the stations. Considerable excitement was aroused in the crowd when the beef-eaters from the Tower of London arrived. The officers, in gay court uniform, and the life guards, with their flowing plumes, galloped through the streets. One well dressed woman fell down in the street and was picked up dead, the excitement having killed her before she had an opportunity to see the pageant.

The archbishop of Canterbury, the bishops and other clergy met the procession at the west door. From the organ loft, midway of the nave and the chancel, came the strains of Mendelsohn's march from "Songs Without Words." The strains of the organ died away and the choir commenced singing softly the sentences for the dead. The solemn cortege proceeded up the nave, which was thronged with the highest and noblest women of England. "Lord, Thou Hast Been My Refuge" was next sung by the choir, which had now taken its place in the transept to the right of the altar.

The coffin rested upon a catafalque placed at the steps of the altar.

The bishop of Windsor read the lesson from the fifteenth chapter of First Corinthians. "Man That Is Born of Woman" was chanted by the choir to Wesley's music, followed by "Thou Knowest, O Lord, the Secret of our Heart!" The dean of Windsor read "I heard a Voice," and the choir sang the Lord's Prayer to the music composed especially for the dead queen by Gounod.

Once more the strains of the choir welled up through the ancient chapel with the singing of "How Blessed Are They That Die," by Tchakowsky. The Archbishop of Canterbury read the collect, and with quavering voice pronounced the benediction. There was a solemn peause while all heads bowed. A few sobs wer heard and the choir then broke the oppressive stillness with the sweet harmony of the Dresden "Amen." Then the loud tones of Norroy King of Arms, William Henry Wryon proclaimed the dead queen's title. The choir's anthem, "Blessed Are The Departed," followed, and the service was concluded by the playing of Bethooven's funeral march by Sir Walter Parrott, organist of St George's chapel and private organist to the late queen.

Services at Washington.

Washington, Feb. 4.—In the presence of a distinguished assemblage, including the president of the United States and his entire cabinet, impressive tribute was rendered to England's dead queen. A number of foreign ambassadors attended, also the supreme court. The ceremony occurred at St. John's Episcopal church, and was distinctly official in character. The British ambassador, Lord Pauncefote, had been directed by the London foreign office to bestow this last mark of respect to the dead sovereign.

The service was that of the Church of England for the burial of the dead. The lesson, taken from I Corinthians, was read by Dr. Mackay-Smith and Dr. Paddock led in the intoning of the prayers. At the conclusion of the prayers, Bishop Satterlee stepped forward to the chancel rail and in impressive tones delivered a panegyric

Blown to Atoms.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb., 4.—By an explosion of 760 quarts of nitro-glycerine at the magazine of the Gas Belt Torpedo company, four miles northeast of Alexandria, Sundy, Perry Fort, a carrier for the company, with his team of horses, the wagon and the magazine, was blown to atoms, not a vestige of either having been found.

Fort started from Knightstown Saturday night with 720 quarts of the explosive in his wagon.

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This issue of THE DEMOCRAT begins the eighteenth year of its existence. On February 7, 1884, it was launched upon the sea of journalism. Its voyage perhaps is not marked with events outside the usual newspaper experiences—at least its struggles—its disappointments and its realizations are similar to many of its contemporaries. Our readers, however, will pardon any seeming boastfulness as we express our gratitude regarding the safe arrival of our bark at the port of entry of the 18th volume. Just 17 years ago we braved the temptests of strange and untried seas. The waves of resistence dashed high and grappled with our sails—lashed themselves into fury and dashed into spray, receded and left us, perhaps with battered hulk, sailing away from the hidden shoals of treachery. If we refused to skim along the shore of the popular idea and choose to push forward upon the bosom of the great sea of investigation the enemy stood like a subservient coward inward from the shore, sounding the notes of derision and scorn. The tempest ceases. The ship glides out of the fog into the glorious sunlight. The roaring of the storm and the growling of breakers are far in the rear. Before us and around us he many wrecks without a harbor of refuge. When barks sail out, flying from their mast the dirty rag of ignorance, besmirched with bombast dipped in the slime of scorn and slander, they become pirates—outlawed by the fearless, honest manned squadrons of the world. For them we drop a tear of pity. Our own escape is sweet revenge. We have erred. Who has not? We hope we have profited by our experiences. We are thankful today that we are able to enter so many hundreds of homes of Collin county as a welcome visitor. THE DEMOCRAT is trusted with its able and earnest corps of correspondents to carry the news each week to these homes and we hope to meet every expectation, and by hard work, to add to our list many more friends ere the close of the 18th volume.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla

Cougressman Lanham of Texas made a speech in the House of Representatives Friday in which he advised Gold democrats and Free Silver democrats to kiss and make up. He says the free silver question is of the past that the democratic party must map out a new course. He was highly applauded by his democratic colleagues.

Bad as it is for Mrs. Nation to smash up unlawful saloon joints in Kansas her action is as commendable as mobs of men who take the law in their own hands and execute human beings by ropes and faggots.

Mayor J. M. Pearson, of McKinney has been appointed by Gov. Sayers as a member of the committee to escort a delegation of rich New Yorkers on a prospecting tour over Texas.

Senator Harris of this district has undertaken a big commendable job, that of purifying the election in this state. He is pushing a bill in the state senater for the purpose.

The Vernon Hornet rounded out its fifth year with its last issue. It is both the least and "loudest" paper that comes to our X table.

COLLIN COUNTY GLEANINGS.

NEWS OF THE WEEK GATHERED BY THE DEMOCRAT CORRESPONDENTS.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General and Personal Interest.

ARDATH.

Feb. 4.

Mrs Melissa Beal who has been visiting her brother, W. L. Campbell, for several months, has returned to her home in Donathan, Mo.

Miss Lizzie Hatler of McKinney visited her sister, Mrs Wade Wilson, last week.

W. M. Wilson and family visited relatives in McKinney Thursday night.

Miss Ora Straughan is in McKinney taking music under Miss Lula Allison.

John Martin has returned to his home in west Texas and Ben Bomar has gone with him to work for Mr Martin this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Caldwell and family of Fayburg visited their daughter Mrs. Cal Williams Saturday.

Miles William mades a business trip to Nevada last week.

Our village is still on the boom. W. M. Parson is building a new store. When finished he will handle dry goods and groceries.

Quite a hail storm here Saturday night, the severest that has been in this community for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol DeBow visited relatives near Princeton Saturday.

TICKEY.

BIGGERS.

Feb. 4,

There was a considerable rain and hail storm here Saturday night. The people were glad to have the rain but did not like to visit their storm houses so frequently.

Bro. Dunn filled his appointment at the Babtist church Saturday, Sunday and Sunday night, a large crowd gathered in to hear him.

There will be prayer meeting at the Baptist church every Wednesday night and Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 a. m.

Several of our prominent citizens took a wise step last week in subscribing for The Democrat. We know they will be pleased with their paper when they read it.

Walter Williams of Rhea Mills made a flying visit here Sunday evening.

BLUE RIDGE.

Feb. 4

Mrs. Wiley Rogers, living out north of town died Sunday night, Jan. 27. She was well up to an hour before she died, laughing and talking with her family. She died of heart disease. She was a devoted Christian, liked by all who knew her. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn her death.

Thursday evening while Mrs. Steve Parks was making soap her clothes caught fire burning her very badly. She is still alive but is not expected to live.

Mr. Cox sold his house and lot to Jack Thompson. Mr. Cox and family will leave the last of the week for Durant, I. T., and will make that his future home.

MARY LEE.

GROVE GROWINGS.

Feb. 5.

The farmers were made glad by the recent shower so badly needed by the wheat, and oat sowing is now the topic for conversation.

We are glad to note the improvement of Uncle Jim Snider who has been quite sick for some time.

Geo. Kerby is all smiles again, another girl.

There were two burials here Saturday afternoon. One the little six weeks old babe of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McKinney, the other a young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McAtee of the White's Grove community.

The Teachers' Debating Club meets here again Feb. 15th. Every one invited.

Dr. E. E. King's lecture here 27th ult, was the best treat our people have had for quite awhile.

The latest—Mr. Hez Warden has made a wooden leg for his crippled cow.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Kerby have moved into their new home.

Miss Ruth Sneed of Lebanon attended Dr. King's lecture here on the 27th.

Bro. Horn filled his regular appointments here Sunday and Sunday evening. This is his second visit since he became our pastor but he has already made many friends among his people here.

SAPLING.

MCDONALD SCHOOL HOUSE.

Feb. 4.

The smallpox scare is about over in this community, there being no new cases. Mrs. Barrett is sick but is convalescent.

Lou Moore of McKinney was a guest at John Parker's Sunday.

Horace Edwards found his horse and has returned to Wise county.

Miss Sallie Barnes of McKinney was visiting John Barnes here last week.

Andy Justice is all smiles—it is a girl.

George Drake and family went to McKinney today.

The farmers will soon be up with their work in this community.

Philippi, let us hear from you again.

AUNT BETSY.

VERONA VIOLETS.

Feb. 4,

Little Marie Carey has pneumonia.

Mrs. Bailey has about recovered from an attack of lagrippe.

Leo Stroup is quite sick, also Mrs. Lou Womble and Mrs. Dock Miller.

E. L. Woodall has a severe case of pneumonia.

Miss Lizzie Grisham has a large music class here.

Miss Sallie Stroup visited relatives in Farmersville last week.

Miss Cassie Clark spent Saturday and Sunday with the family of A. L. Hatler in Melissa.

Hazel Eyes was in our midst recently. She says she is getting anxious about that pencil and wishes the editor would make haste and fulfill his promise.

John Gray died at his home near Johnson School House and was buried in the Verona cemetery Thursday evening.

EVA.

FAYBURG.

Feb. 4.

Considerable sickness in this section, mostly lagrippe and pneumonia.

J. J. Harp has been confined to his bed for several days with lagrippe and neuralgia.

C. B. Touchstone is just recovering from a severe spell of pneumonia.

Our school now has 75 enrolled and is progressing nicely. Prof. Cain has organized a spelling class, which meets once every week, and is also preparing to celebrate Geo. Washington's birthday the 22nd.

We are informed that Prof. Wilbanks of Snow Hill school is preparing to give a school entertainment on Friday night, Feb. 8.

This section was visited Saturday night by a severe hail and wind storm which did considerable damage. J. B. Watson's house on the farm of J. M. Andrews was completely demolished. parts of the building and household goods were blown and scattered for several hundred yards. A calf was blown two or three hundred yards. A part of the roof of J. C. Carmack's house and his barn were blown off. A part of James Biggs house was blown off and windows all broken out, chimney torn down and roof of smoke house carried away. B. D. Brookin's house was badly mashed up, his barn being completely demolished, W. T. Driggers' house partly torn up and smoke house blown off. I. F. Douglass' house was partly unroofed, a chimney at Mrs. Baker's was torn down. Fortunately no lives were lost. The cloud was in a funnel shape and came from a southeasterly direction and traveled toward the northeast, being about ¼ of a mile wide.

JACOB.

CHAMBLISS.

Feb. 3,

This is a beautiful Sabbath, one in which all can enjoy their rest and interest themselves in reading their good books.

Quite a series of storm clouds passed over last night.

Jim Munger is the purchaser of a new buggy and watch.

D. O. Fagala of Valdasta passed through Chambliss Saturday.

Enoch Southerland of Chambersville was among us Friday night.

Miss Dora Nichols suspended her school at Stiff Chapel last week on account of scarlet fever.

Miss Etheline Eakels of Blue Ridge was here Sunday.

A very large crowd attended prayer meeting Sunday night.

Elmer Scribner of McKinney came in yesterday.

Chas. Wallace and wife went to Wylie Friday.

W. A. Davis has had quite a tussle with lagrippe.

LITTLE ABSY.

Pythian Banquet.

AN ENTERTAINMENT BY K. OF P. LODGE NO. 28, AT THE NEW WADE HOTEL.

One of the most enjoyable occasions ever indulged in by Defiance Lodge No. 28 Knights of Pythias of McKinney transpired Tuesday night it being a banquet given in honor of the visit to their lodge by State Grand Chancellor B. S. Rogers of Brenham, Texas, and Golden Rod Temple of Rathbone Sisters of this city, the women's auxiliary to the order. About 80 Knights gathered in the hall at an early hour and at once proceeded in the regular business of the order which was soon dispatched after which visiting Grand Chancellor Rogers ably, earnestly and impressively conducted the exemplification of the secret work of the order. After the adjournment the members marched in a body—two by two, to the New Wade Hotel where a magnificent banquet awaited them. The dining room was a "tempter of Kings" with its decorations of pictures and flowers, white linen, covered with the luxuries of the season complete—everything that can be prepared by the best culinary artist. Mrs. Wade the proprietress certainly was equal to the occasion and many were the compliments of her skill and energy. After being seated around the festal board the Knights' wives, daughters and sweethearts were entertained by the following neatly arranged and well rendered program:

PROGRAM.

Defiance Lodge No. 28, Knights of Phthias, bids you welcome!

T. F. Mangum—Toast-Master.

Mrs. M. H. Garnett—Toast-Mistress.

Pythianism—its past, present and future—B. S Rogers, G. C.

The Banquet—W. S. Terrell.

The retrospect and prospect of Defiance Lodge No. 28—T. W. Wiley.

To our Ancient Knight "Sir William Caper"—J. H. Faulkner.

The Rathbone Sister—W. H. Sims.

Early experiences of a modern youthful Knight—Gabe Lucas.

Lend me thy hand to laugh a little—Mrs. M. H. Garnett.

Our Knights—Miss Emma King.

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The business of their lives, that is to dine."

Our privileges—Mrs. W. T. Beverly:

"Let men look to 't lest women wear the spurs."

The Social Features and Everlasting Influence of our order—Miss Ona Cameron.

Some members we know—Mrs. W. E. Ditto:

"O wad some power the giftie gie us,
To see ourselves as ithers see us."

A clock serves to point out the hours and a banquet to make us forget them—Miss Louise Atkinson.

Grand Chancellor Rogers handled his subject in an especially able manner. The thoughts on Pythianism so graphically, eloquently and earnestly expressed by him made a deep, and, to be hoped for, lasting impression. There were about 150 members and guests at the table

The committees were as follows:

Arrangements: E. R. Hall, W. B Harrison and M. T. Jones.

To meet Grand Chancellor: Rev. E. E. King, W. T. Beverly and F. P. Shrader.

General Reception: Mesdames E. R. Hall, A. J. Caldwell and J. T. Nale, Misses Hallie Atkinson and Daisy Gerrish.

Local News.

Rev. J. S. Cameron is carrying his vaccinated arm in a sling.

Mrs Boydston and little daughter are visiting at Greenville.

J. D. Cox has opened up a new feed store in McKinney.

Russell Bowlby is slowly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

D. M. Morgan, traveling passenger agent of the Cotton Belt, mingled with the hog men yesterday.

Mrs. W. F. Moore and little daughter of Paris are the guests of her father, Judge T. C. Goodner and family here.

Davis White and wife of Los Angeles, Cal., are visiting the family of J. A. Rogers and other relatives here.

Prof. G. H. Chance, Ernest Wilson and Gabe Belew, of this city, attended the Ownby-Belew nuptials at Altoga Sunday.

Elmer Chance and J. A. Newly of Fezewell, Tennessee nephews of Prof. Geo. H. Chance of this city are visiting here.

Fred Ownby and bride are guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Chance and husband in this city. They were accompanied by the groom's sisters Mrs. Moore and Miss Julia Ownby.

Mrs. Ann McDaniels returned to Midlothian Tuesday accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Byles and Miss Emma Boone. She came up to attend the funeral of her brother, the late T. C. Boone.

Will Casey is back from a visit to his parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Casey, at Kaufman. We regret to learn from him that his mother's health has not improved since leaving McKinney.

The concert of Mrs. Dr. Gibson's Friday night and matinee Saturday afternoon were well attended and highly appreciated by all. The proceeds were applied to that part of the new Methodist church fund subscribed by the Ladies Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

The three Smith Sisters of Gainesville assisted in Mrs. Dr. Gibson's entertainment at the Opera house here Friday night and Saturday afternoon, also in the same house at the Sam Jones service Sunday. Mortal ears are rarely ever permitted to listen to such sweet vocal music as they rendered on these occasions.

Sam Jones.

The noted evangelist and lecturer was in McKinney Saturday night and Sunday. He lectured at the Opera house Saturday night and preached at the same place Sunday. An immense crowd greeted him at the Sunday service and for nearly two hours listened to his wit, sarcasm, philosophy and pathos. In addition to the proceeds at the Saturday night lecture a collection of about one hundred dollars was taken up for the benefit of the new Methodist church.

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If you are not a customer of ours,

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Courthouse Marriage

Thursday evening last Judge J. H. Faulkner joined in wedlock P. E. Carver and Miss Alice Goode of Anna in the office of County Clerk Noulden. The Democrat extends well wishes.

Mrs Henry A. Wiley and three little children have arrived from New York and are guests at the home Dr T. W. Wiley in this city. They will proceed in a couple of weeks to San Francisco where Lieut. Wiley's ship the Wisconsin, is in the Mare Island naval station.

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Local News.

Sam Layne had la grippe this week.

Mrs. Dan E. Neathery is visiting in Farmersville

Capt. J. L. Greer has purchased the Stovall property north of the square.

J. A. Smith, Vineland's merchant, made a business trip to Dallas Friday.

Miss Ollie Plemmons a teacher at Melissa spent Sunday with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Plummer Harris have as their guest a pretty little Miss, lately arrived.

Miss Grady Bogan who is teaching at Millwood spent Sunday with home folks here

Sheriff Pafford attended the wedding of his nephew W. E. Pafford of Denton.

Scottie Forsythe the genial able and wholesouled blacksmith paid Dallas a business visit last week.

Miss Estelle Lansdale teacher at Back Bone spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in McKinney.

Miss Maggie Shain who is a Sherman studunt spent Saturday and Sunday with her father, Jesse Shain.

W. F. Scott of Melissa renews for The Democrat with the kindly expression that we have the best local paper.

Mrs. J. D. Page has returned from Augusta, Kan., where she attended the burial of her father, N. M. A. Withrow.

The committee has let the contract to a Kansas City firm to furnish 23 stained glass windowes for the new Methodist church.

A. L. Patterson, an astimable old citizen of Weston, sends The Democrat to his son J. F. Patterson, Lancaster, Tex.

Will Hardison a negro was arrested a few days since, charged with stealing dishes from the City Hotel. He was released on bond.

Ed. E. McMurray of Verona was in the city Monday. His family is well and his mother Mrs. A. A. McMurray has returned to Dallas.

The stock of goods of the Klondyke saloon was sold at public auction by the sheriff last week. Charles Malone purchased it for $1410. Hooks & Hines will reopen the saloon.

J. H. Williamson formerly of Collin county in company with his brother Newt Williamson of Blue Ridge is now located at Mill Creek, I. T. The Democrat is ordered to his adress.

J. S. Dowell Jr., of McKinney is assured by Congressman-elect Randell that he will be appointed to a Chadetship at Annapolis when the next congress convenes. He is a Collin raised boy and worthy in every respect.

We are pleased to run across Mr. Ferguson of McKinney, Wednesday evening. Mr. Ferguson had come to Bosque on a prospecting trip. He seemed to be well pleased with our county. —Clifton Record.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

Home of Swamp-Root.

Manager Smith of the Foote House was in Dallas Saturday.

Mrs. McCarty Moore has returned from a visit to Van Alstyne.

Attorney Hugh McClellan has been laid up again recently from the effects of lagrippe. However he is now improving.

Eld Young, of Greenville, preached at the new Christian church in Russell's addition, Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night.

Scrofula in the blood shows itself sooner or later in swellings, sores, eruptions. But Hood's Sarsaparilla completely cures it.

Miss Jennie Edge, of this city has received the sad information of the death of her brother, Edgar, at Savannah, Ga.

For driving out dull bilious feeling, strengthening the appetite and increasing the capacity of the body for work, PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is a golden remedy.

Tuck Hill & Son have just sold a registered short horn Durham bull to D. C. Hill & Son for $250 They recently disposed of another one to a party at Stephensville, Texas, for $300.

Ever ready, always reliable, are Cheatham's Laxative Tablets. They cure a cold quicker than any known remedy. Easy to carry, pleasant to take. Guaranteed. Price 25 cts.

All itching diseases are embarrassing as well as annoying. Hunt's Cure will instantly relieve and permanently cure all forms of such diseases. Guaranteed. Price 50 cts.

Judge Faulkner sentenced a prisoner Saturday to one hour in jail and also fined him $5.00. The offender, who was brought up from Plano, was accused of stealing a bucket of preserves.

At best life is but short. Do not make it shorter yet by rank neglect of that cough of yours, when one bottle of Simmons' Cough Syrup would cure you. Guaranteed. Price 25 and 50 cts.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff McDowell returned from El Paso where they went some time ago for the benefit of Mrs. McDowell's health. We are glad to learn their hope in this respect was realized.

Putman Fadeless Dye, olive green, produces the beautiful dark green so fashionable in dress patterns this year. 10c. per package, Sold by City Drug store.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall left Tuesday for New York where she will spend the next three weeks in selecting a magnificent stock of ladies spring head-gear for her millinery establishment over the White Dry Goods Co.

For catarrh and colds in the head, Hunt's Lightning Oil inhaled is a sure cure. A few drops taken internally relieves and cures cramp cholic, cholera morbus and such troubles. Guaranteed. Price 25 and 50 cts.

H. A. Knight came down from Claude last week and sold his land on Long creek to Waggoner at $4.50 per acre. This a fine body of land containing several sections. Most of it is state school land bought at $1 per acre. Mr. Knight will soon return with his family to Vernon and reside at the Creager place near the Baptist church.—Vernon Call.

Permits to Pair.

Issued by County Clerk Pat Moulden, at McKinney, Texas, since our last report:

G N McDaniel and Miss Maud Curtis.

Harry Barry and Miss Daisy Wiggins.

P E Carver and Mrs Alice Goode.

W P Bryan and Miss Mary Frank Cave.

T F White and Miss Essie Smith.

Fred Ownbey and Miss Ethel Belew.

E E Cate and Miss Dora Lawson.

J B Hayes and Miss Mollie Templin.

County Jail Prisoners.

Jailor Andy Atkinson informed us Saturday that he had the following boarders in his prison hotel to feed:

P. E. Denton, Gabe Hall, J. R. Vinsant, J. M. Taylor, George Wilson Charlie France, John Edmonds Geo Shotwell, all white. Also Chester Starr and Charlie Newman, colored.

January Rainfall.

The rainfall for January, 1901, as kept by C. B. Moore, Advalorem, 6 miles north of McKinney, is as follows:

January 9.....	½ inch
" 29.....	⅛ "
Total.....	⅝ "

Rheumatism

Rheumatic pains are the cries of protest and distress from tortured muscles, aching joints and excited nerves. The blood has been poisoned by the accumulation of waste matter in the system, and can no longer supply the pure and health sustaining food they require. The whole system feels the effect of this acid poison; and not until the blood has been purified and brought back to a healthy condition will the aches and pains cease.

Mrs. James Kell, of 707 Ninth street, N. E., Washington, D. C., writes as follows: "A few months ago I had an attack of Sciatic Rheumatism in its worst form. The pain was so intense that I became completely prostrated. The attack was an unusually severe one, and my condition was regarded as being very dangerous. I was attended by one of the most able doctors in Washington, who is also a member of the faculty of a leading medical college here. He told me to continue his prescriptions and I would get well. After having it filled twelve times without receiving the slightest benefit, I declined to continue his treatment any longer. Having heard of S. S. S. (Swift's Specific) recommended for Rheumatism, I decided, almost in despair however, to give the medicine a trial, and after I had taken a few bottles I was able to hobble around on crutches, and very soon thereafter had no use for them at all, S. S. S. having cured me sound and well. All the distressing pains have left me, my appetite has returned, and I am happy to be again restored to perfect health.

SSS the great vegetable purifier and tonic, is the ideal remedy in all rheumatic troubles. There are no opiates or minerals in it to disturb the digestion and lead to ruinous habits.

We have prepared a special book on Rheumatism which every sufferer from this painful disease should read. It is the most complete and interesting book of the kind in existence. It will be sent free to any one desiring it. Write our physicians fully and freely about your case. We make no charge for medical advice.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., ATLANTA, GA.

From Armstrong County.

CLAUDE, Texas, Jan. 31.

To The Democrat:

Some time ago we took the liberty of having several of our ex-Collin county farmers of Armstrong county visit their old home county through the medium of their old home paper—The Democrat, but as it makes too long a letter to mention all in one letter we have adopted the plan of cutting our letters into sections, make them short and perhaps more acceptable to the readers of The Democrat.

F. T. Dysart, formerly of Collin county but moved out to Claude in 1989, is now living in Claude and engaged in the general mercantile business and doing well.

T. W. Smith, who moved out to Claude in the early days of the organization of Armstrong county but like many others of Armstrong county's first settlers thought it to his interest to go back to his old home county, came back to Claude about four years ago and has for some time been established in a fine blacksmith and wagon and machine shop and has all the work he can handle. Mr. Smith also owns a fine farm north of Claude.

J. H. Howe, who is also an ex-Collin county man, lives about three miles northeast of Claude, has a large house full of smart intelligent boys and girls, a pasture full of fine horses and mules and fine cattle. Mr. Howe also has a fine farm of 640 acres with about 320 acres under the best of cultivation, and has also a large hog pasture and pens full of the best breed of porkers, and with a good farm and a good rich pasture full of fine stock and horses and mules and a fine healthy family and a first-class school. Mr. Howe says Armstrong county will be his resting place now and for always.

We cannot refrain from mentioning the fact of our stock farming of Armstrong county, taking the question of lice and ticks on their cattle and horses in serious consideration. Six of our leading stock farmers have formed a company and have put in a Dipping about two miles southeast of Washburn in this county. We know nothing of the ingredients which is put in the water, but Judge W. H. Brummett, who is one of the company, told us that for ordinary cases of lice on cattle the proportion is one gallon of the dip liquid to 40 gallons of water but for ticks or extra lousey cattle it perhaps would require to be increased a little. The vat, which is the first in our county, and at a cost less than $200, and (althongh it shows to considerable room for improvement which the company will make) the company have already dipped upwards of 1600 head of cattle and 30 head horses in about eighteen hours' work. We take pleasure in presenting to the readers of The Democrat the names of six enterprising stock farmers who have taken the lead in this enterprising and humane business in our county: Hon. W. H. Brummett, formerly of Collin county; Hon. Q. Moore county judge of Armstrong county; G. A. F. Parker of Claude; Jas. Logue of Washburne, M. L. Smith of Washburne and W. R. Irby of Washburne. The members of the company inform the writer that so far the process has proven a grand success as all cattle and horses examined a few minutes after having been dipped proved to have been thoroughly cleansed of both nits and lice. W. R. Irby of this company moved out here from Collin county some years ago and is one of the very few who came to the then frontier county of Armstrong and with his amiable wife and family bravely stood the hardships and privations which is ever with the pioneers of the frontier counties who come to seek better land and more of it, and to build new homes for their loved ones, and now friends of our old home county we will tell you what perseverance, pluck and energy has done for W. R. Irby. It has placed himself and loved ones in a fine comfortable home, plenty of good loamy land for farming purposes and plenty of beautiful rich pasture for his fast increasing cattle, horses and mules, and what is still better than all else, when Mr. Irby moved his family out to Armstrong county he knew that he was taking them to a new home far above the malaria line, he knew when he started from his old home for Armstrong county that he was bidding farewell to chills and fever.

And now we will mention but one more ex-Collin county man—Harry D. McCurdy. Mr. McCurdy came to Claude from his old home two miles from Allen in Collin County, and although but a boy when he came here, he was a game boy and boldly faced the music. He was determined to reserve some of the beautiful, dark, chocolate colored land, and boy, as he then was, he put his shoulder to the wheel, and by hard work, pluck and energy he got two thirds of what he had determined upon securing and without the aid of a dollar from anyone, but what he earned from the sweat of his brow. We said he had secured two thirds of what he hoped for when he came to Claude. Well, to day Harry has a nice bunch of splendid cattle and 320 acres of as fine land as any thriving farmer could desire, all well improved, with a nice comfortable frame house on it and the whole well fenced. This is just two thirds of his boyhood wish, and if he exercises the same amount of pluck and energy in his endeavor to secure the remaining one third, we feel confident that it will not be many moons before the smoke will be gracefully curling from the flue of his now lonely looking cottage, and the remaining one third will be there to meet him and greet him with the kiss and cheering words of a kind and loving wife when he comes in from his work in the field. We feel confident that Harry will not disappoint us.

J. L. WHITE.

I. & G. N. Excursions.

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Red Men Organize.

J. R. Dean, of Ft. Worth State Organizer of the Order of the Red Men was in McKinney last week and on Thursday night in the K. of P., hall reorganized Hiawatha Tribe No. 22, with a membership of 56. The officers are as follows: W R Abernathy Sachem; F D Perkins, Sr. Sagamore; H F McDonald, Jr. Sagamore; G J S Walker, Chief of Records; J A McKey. Keeper of Wampum; Ed Hinman Collector of Wampum; J. H. Walton, Prophet; G R Smith and J H Walton were elected representatives to great Council which will meet in Dallas May 10. G R Smith is Sachem of the district.

Sunday School Children.

The children of the Christian Sunday school was given a party at the parlors of the church in this city Thursday night last. The rooms, hall and lawn were thronged with a hundred happy romping and shouting youths, boys and girls. Plummer Harris dispensed pop corn to the little guests.

Died Suddenly.

S. D. Sparks, a farmer aged fifty living near Weston this county, died suddenly one night last week. He ate a hearty supper and retired. A short while afterwards his family heard struggling in his room. He died in a few minutes after his family reached him. He leaves a wife and children.

Married.

W. P. Bryan of near Plano and Miss Mary Cave were married last Thursday evening at the home of the bride two miles north of McKinney. A splendid dinner was served to the happy couple by Mr. and Mrs Cave. The young groom and bride are popular and are the recipients of the well wishes of a host of friends.

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Petition For Federal Court.

A telegram was sent from here Saturday evening to Senators Chilton and Culberson at Washington requesting them to work for the passage of the bill before congress for the establishment of a Federal Court at Sherman. The proposed new district includes Collin county in it. The telegram was extensively signed by the McKinney bar and citizenship.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK GATHERED BY THE DEMOCRAT CORRESPONDENTS.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General and Personal Interest.

CULLEOKA.

Feb. 4.

The people of our vicinity have quietly and pleasantly passed the first month of the new century. With the exception of the unwelcome visitor lagrippe, all have been pleasant smiles. The people being thankful for the past year, and trusting that the future will bring success, the farmers are busily engaged in preparing farms for the new crop.

Most of the students are earnestly engaged in their school work, and this is resulting in success for our school. The first month of our new school has just closed with an average of seventy pupils.

Our Sunday school which opens at 9 o'clock every Sunday morning is well attended by the young and the old.

The prayer meetings held two nights of each week are promising good results.

The W. O. W. and C. M. A. lodfies each meet in the new hall above the school house. The indications are that the good influences of these orders may produce lasting results.

We hope that success will crown the efforts of The Democrat, its correspondents and readers.

Just at the moment of closing this writing we received the sad news telling the death of Harve Milam, who was a resident of this vicinity until last December, at which time he moved near Floyd, Hunt county, where he died, leaving a wife and one babe

ELIZA JANE.

CLIMAX.

Feb. 4.

A heavy storm of wind, rain and hail visited our little city Saturday evening about 7:30 o'clock. The houses formerly occupied by Robert Dixson and Saunders were swept away from the face of the earth and torn into splinters. Robert Craver's house and barn were blown away. He and wife and little babe were injured, Mr. Craver was struck on the head by some flying timber and was unconscious for several hours afterwards, his wife and babe received several bruises but [illegible]. The storm passed [illegible]

and out houses also the barn of his father, C. L. Snyder. It passed from there to Pilot bottom where it spent its wrath and fury among the sturdy oaks and Bois-d'Arc which have been standing for ages. Our people are thankful to escape without any more loss.

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to preform,
He plants his footsteps in the sea
And rides upon the storm.

HAZEL EYES.

CLEARLAKE.

Feb. 4,

We experienced quite a rain and wind Saturday night but no serious damage resulted.

Rev. Conwell filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday Also Rev. Huggins of Wylie preached to a good size audience Sunday evening.

The 9-year-old boy of J. W. Davidson fell while playing Sunday and inflicted an ugly wound above his eye which was dressed immediately and is getting along nicely.

J. S. Wolfert visited in Garland, Tex., Sunday, returned Monday.

We are proud of the liberal contribution made by the citizens of McKinney to our school and church building, which will be built soon.

We understand the Bois d'Arc Pin Co., will begin their factory at this place in the next few days.

The farmers are preparing their ground for another crop.

R. L. Palmer will build an addition to his store soon, also will build several dwelling houses in the town.

Now with the liberal contributions from McKinney let our citizens all roll a wheel and we will have a church in two months.

APEO.

FARMERSVILLE ITEMS.

Sentinel Feb. 1.

Burt Lehman was in the city Monday from McKinney and paid this office a fraternal call.

The Aleo postoffice has been discontinued and the mail will hereafter be sent to Farmersville.

Miss Florence Melton, of McKinney, arrived Monday on a visit to her sister Mrs. Rod Neathery.

Miss Laura Robinson has re[illegible] with Dr. [illegible] after a couple of [illegible]

Roland.

Feb. 1,

Rev. Jones from Sherman preached here at Liberty Sunday night.

Dr. N. P. Merritt of Illinois is here visiting his son Dr. J. F. Meritt.

Mr. Jay is sick.

Mrs. Stella Allen is sick.

Mrs. Mary Cox is able to sit up most of the time.

Geo. Robins and family who went to the territory have returned as there is no "place like home."

Fletcher Meritt spent Sunday in Dallas.

D. NALOR.

STINSON SCHOOLHOUSE.

Feb. 3,

Our farmers are busy preparing the soil for another crop.

Lagrippe is raging at present in this community.

Misses Laura Shelton and Mollie McMennis and brothers, of Trinity Mills were visiting old friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Our school is progressing nicely under the supervision of Prof. Harry Bell,

Miss Rosa Walker of Bosque county has returned home after an extended visit to the family of her uncle John Walker

The Misses Killian entertained their friends with music Wednesday evening.

Messrs Will and Joe Wallace of Altoga were visiting relatives here the past week.

A. F. Ward, an estimable citizen and old land mark of Parker, died at his home Feb. 3rd. We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Stinson is to have a literary society soon.

BUZZ.

WESTMINSTER.

Feb. 2,

We are now having the first good rain of this year. The farmers are anticipating another good crop year.

The second term of school has opened with good attendance and some very good work.

Prof. C. O. Stubbs has gone to Cooper to attend a meeting of the Board of Regents. We hope to have a nice large college here next year.

Rev. J. L. Lawlis, wife and children are expected to return home from West Virginia where they have been visiting relatives.

B. F. Saye and M. O. Perry, former pupils of this school, were in town Sunday. They are now teaching.

The I. O. O. F. and W. O. W. are very prosperous, they have a nice hall just completed.

MINEOLA.

WHITES GROVE WHITTINGS.

Feb. 4,

Farmers are getting well up with their winter plowing.

Wheat looks very well considering the dry weather.

There was a severe hail storm here Saturday evening. Hail stones fell as large as hen eggs breaking window glass in several places.

There will be preaching next Saturday and Sunday at Mt. Olive church also at night by Rev. William Dunn of Greeneille the present pastor.

Our school is moving along nicely with Prof. Slimp as principal and Miss Janie Coffee assistant. The board of trustees have placed a new walk in front of the schoolhouse, also employed T. C. Leedy to put a new woven wire fence around the ground which adds very much to the convenience of the school.

Mrs. Slater is confined to her room at this writing.

Mrs. John Moore is on the sick list.

One of Mr. W. M. Homes little boys has the smallpox, so we are informed, they live 5½ miles west of McKinney.

Mrs. Newman of Chambersville and Mrs. Higgins of McKinney were guests of Mrs. Slater Wednesday.

Mrs. Charley Watson and Mrs R. D. Caldwell of Climax visited here last week.

Dr. Jas. A. Caldwell one of McKinney's leading specialists and Dr. Hunn paid us a professional visit last Wednesday.

While little Pearl the 3-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs McAtee living 3 miles southwest of town was out where some of her little brothers and sisters older than herself were burning some grass last Wednesday evening her clothing caught fire and before assistance could be had she was so badly burned that she died that night. It was an awful sight to behold, she was a bright little girl. The family have the full sympathy of the entire community. She was buried at Forest Grove Saturday evening.

Prof. Leigh was in our midst a few days ago, come again Prof.

We note that the people are subscribing for the dear old Democrat for it is a welcome visitor to hundreds of homes in Collin county and one of the best local journals in North Texas We wish the propretors the greatest success possible. We are so glad to get to read the newsy correspondence from the different parts of the county.

BLACK EYES.

ALLEN ANTHEMS.

Advocate Jan 31.

Ves Spradley, the genial baggage master at the H. & T. C. depot here, is in the hospital at Houston, and Bud Harris is working in his place.

Dr. T. W. Wiley of McKinney has been coming down to Allen every day this week to see Price Bush, who has been very sick with the pneumonia. Mrs. Bush and children, who were visiting in Roby, Fisher county, were called home the first of the week.

Frank, the little son of Uncle Joe Christie, has been seriously sick with the scarlet fever this week. Mrs. J. S. Spradley also had the fever the latter portion of last week. She is now on the improve, as is also the other members of the family who had the disease.

The Methodist Sunday school elected officers and teachers last Sunday. The following were made teachers: Misses Susie Armstrong, Mary Spencer, Mesdames Barnett, Killing-worth and Parker; Miss Ollie Stansell, librarian; Mrs. Harris, treasurer; W. C. Killingsworth, secretary.

The Baptist Sunday school also elected officers—teachers to be elected next Sunday. Prof. R. E. Chapman was elected superintendent. Dolph Melton, assistant superintendent; Miss Clara Spradley, secretary and treasurer.

H. Wolf gave last Sunday a dinner in celebration of his wife's thirty-fifth birth-day. Those present were as follows: J. W. Walden and family, the family of J. B. Jones, William Dixson and family, Isaac Dixson and wife, Pete Lynge and family, Mrs. Bell Rogers, Sam Anderson and family of Denton county near Lebanon and W. M. Wolf and family.

Rev. J. W. Foster filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church in Allen last Sunday morning After the sermon Jonathan Spurgeon and Perry Watson were ordained deacons. Rev. Ed. Bowman delvered the charge to them. At night Rev. Bowman preached. He is the county evangelist, taking the place of Rev. Paul Kimzey, who had to resign on account of his health. Rev. Bowman took up a collection for the benefit of some of the churches which need assistance, and secured about $25.

FROM ROCKWALL COUNTY.

Chisholm, Texas,
Feb. 2, 1901.

Mr. Lamon's child was badly burned on a heating stove last week.

Grandma Evers is very low with lagrippe,

Frank Jackson of this place made a business trip to Bethany, Collin county, last Sunday.

Mr Paton and family, formerly of Dallas county, have moved into our neighborhood.

Cotton picking is still in progress.

A Mexican was shot and killed on the League last Sunday by a negro gambler The Mexican died with two decks of cards in his right hand and three decks in his pocket Boys, don't gamble, this is what will follow sooner or later.

TEDDY.

Union Service To Be Held.

Another important session was held Friday night by the Y. M. C. A. Board of directors. Dr. Paul Kendall, Dr. J. H. McLean, Rev. J. M. Cocke, Eld. Hamlin and Dr. E. E. King met with it. The pastors decided with the Board to hold a union service at the Christian church Sunday night Feb. 10 in behalf of the Y. M. C. A. work in McKinney at which Dr. E. E. King, of the First Baptist church will be master of ceremonies. On that occasion, Capt. J. L. Greer, president of the Board of Directors, will deliver an address and other talks will also be made.

The Association is meeting with gratifying success New members were elected by the board as follows: C. E. Covey, W. S. Lewis and Cleo McBride.

The baths are in fine shape and hot water is furnished on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Burned to Death.

Pearl, the little four year old daughter of R. E. McAtee near Whites Grove, met with a fatal accident last Thursday when her dress caught on fire from burning grass. The flesh was horribly burned from the effects of which the little sufferer died Friday. The grief stricken family have the sincere condolence of The Democrat.

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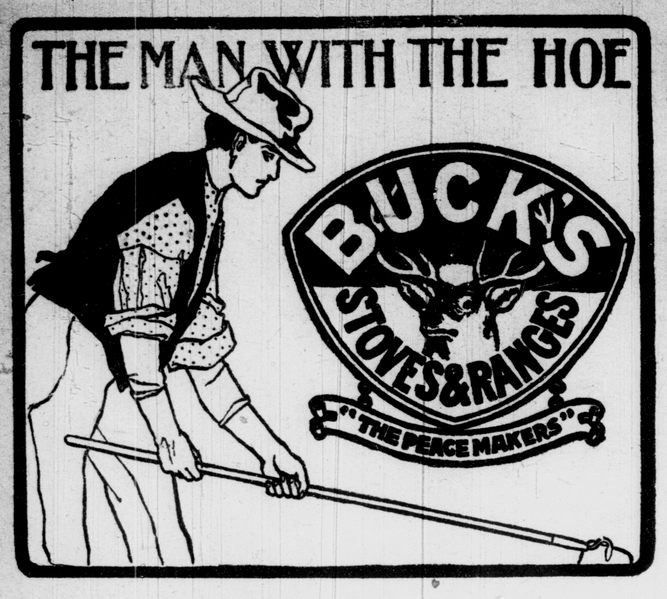

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Tutt's Liver Pills

McKinney Market Report

Corrected every Thursday morning:

Seed Cotton per 100	2.50 to 2.65
Square bale	7.5c to 9.00c per lb
Cotton seed, per ton	$12
Wheat	50 to 68½c
Flour	$1.90 to 2.25
Bran	per 100 lbs., 85c
Meal	per bu., 50c
Corn per bushel	45 to 50c
Oats per bushel	28 to 30c
Hay per ton	$7 to $9
Lard per pound	10c
Bacon per pound	8½ to 10
Butter per pound	12½ to 15c
Eggs, per doz	10c
Irish Potatoes per bu	1.00
Onions per bu	1.65
Chickens, per doz	$1.75 to 2.50
Hogs	4.75 to 4.80
Cattle	2.75 to 3.00
Mutton Sheep	3¼c

See the ad of A. E. Buck elsewhere in this issue advertising his fine stallions Gov. Strong 2:10¼ and Reno Clipper 2:17½ p. These stallions are being kept at the race track just north of the city. Call on or write to Mr. Buck for imformation.

Mrs. W. A. Walcott, now matron of the girls' department of Add-Ran College, Waco, has been here for the past few days on a business mission. She was the guest at the home of J. H. Jenkins during her stay.

O. A. (Jake) Blakeman has opened up a wholesale grain, hay and feed shipping brokerage business with office in the Johnson block over the old Ben Rhine stand. Jake has had several years experience in the business and no doubt will succeed in this latest enterprise.

Jerry Adams came up Saturday from Dallas where he spent a day or two. Jerry's many friends here regret his departure again this week for Hustonville, Ky., which has been his home for the past six years and where he is in business.

Will R. Hill, of the McKinney & Hill firm, has just returned from the eastern markets. About the 20th of the month a large new stock of buggies, carriages, rubber-tire vehicles, leather and saddlery hardware, which he purchased, will begin to arrive.

E W Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine **Laxative Bromo-Quinine** Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

The following newly appointed postmasters for Collin county were announced from Washington Feb. 1: S. R. Dwiggins, Desert; Lee Cade, Mallard; E. E. Wallace, Tib. The same date, announcement of the establishment of Branch postoffice was made, with John T. Branch postmaster.

The W. S. Knight dry goods house has its new improvements about completed and will soon be open for business again. Millinery and dress making departments will be added and two floors will be occupied instead of one as in the past. Manager B. F. Pior is sparing no pains to make this house the most popular establishment of the kind in McKinney.

Bright's disease is more dreaded by physicians than any of the serious disorders with which they have to deal, because of its insidious and malignant character. If prompt action were taken when headaches, urinary disorders digestive troubles first appear much suffering and sorrow would be averted. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS will quickly stop the spread of the disease quiet the inflammation; heal the kidneys and bladder, strengthen and regulate the liver, and drive poison and impurities out of the system by cleansing the bowels.

F. J. R. Davenport, living at Nash, 8 miles south of Waxahachie, attended the meeting of the State Swine Breeders and left yesterday for Farmersville to visit his son-in-law, Ed Brown, before returning home. Mr. Davenport, in addition to being a big Berkshire swine breeder, is a leading stockman and farmer of Ellis county, besides being largely interested in bee culture. His apiary contains 183 colonies. He is also a stockholder in the Waxahachie cotton factory which opens for operation in a few days.

Texas Swinebreeders Meet.

ANNUAL SESSION HELD IN MCKINNEY—TOPIES UNDER DISCUSSION.

The State Swine-Breeders' Association met here Tuesday with President Tom Frazier of Copperel in the chair and A. A. Pittuck of Dallas secretary. Mayor J. M Pearson delivered an address of welcome to the pork-raisers of Texas, which was responded to by Nat Edmondson of Sherman. During the general discussion Capt. W. A. Rhea, narrated a peculiar experience in hog-raising. He is the prossessor of a large herd of hogs at Rheas Mill, this county. Six of his sows combined gave birth to forty-five pigs about two monthn ago. These pigs became mangy and were afflicted with a cough. Pigs on the same ranch a little older and some a little younger were healthy. He cleaned his lots burned all trash and used disinfectants. He applied coal oil to the diseased pigs. He lost fifteen of them while the rest were slowly recovering. The disease as reported seemed to puzzle the members of the association. However, after a tohrough disscussion it was agreed that the disease was measles, which is similar to the same disease in the human family.

H. E. Singleton suggested as an effective remedy protection from bad weather, clean food and water. The soaked feed advocates seems to be in the minority.

Several methods of handling and curing hams, shoulders, and sides were given. It was generally agreed that after taking meat from the salt it should be dipped in boiling water, but there was a difference of opinion as to what should or should not be applied. Borax and peper were favorities.

Mr. Davenport of Waxahaceie presented the novel method of covering the meat with a thin coat of paste made of flour, honey and cayenne pepper. He contended that this is not an expensive method and that it is the best preservative he had ever tried and that meat after such treatment is in the finest condition for table use. It was suggested however that the greater part of the work is now being relegated to the packeries so recently and fortunately established in Texas. One member stated that the introduction and development of good stock and and scientific methods of feeding had brought the cost of pork production down from 4c and 5c per pound to 2c per pound.

Col. Coffey's paper on the subject of partnership in hog-raising between landlord and tenant, in which he favored it and gave his own practical experience elicited much discussion. It was contended by the majority of members who expressed themselves that the method of parnership taught the great army of tenants to raise their own meat and created a condition of independence among them which in nowise detracted from the landlord's interest.

The convention adjourned at 5 o'clock to meet at 9:30 a. m Wednesday.

The following is a partial list of those who were present Tuesday:

Tom Frazier, Copperl; A. A. Pittuck, Dallas; H. E. Singleton, McKinney: W. A. Rhea, Rheas Mill; Aron Coffey, McKinney; F. J. R. Davenport, Waxahachie; S. D. Heard, J. D. Page, McKinney; W. M. Kerr, Vineland; Nat Edmonson, J. W. Davis, Sherman; Floyd Bros., J. W. Floyd, Richardson; John Chambers, Foncine; Mr. Wells, Howe; J. L. Brown, Will Day, Allen; Mr. Moore, Celina; Frank Kendall, Chambersville; Lawson Kerr, Vineland; John W. McKinney, Anna; G. A. Neill, Tehuacana; D. C. Flippin, Vineland; J. H. Hicks, Belton; J. M. Lancaster, Waxahachie; W. E. Davis, J. H. Davis, Sherman; J. F. Wyatt, Waxahachie; M. C. Hensley, Farmersville; E. C. Williams, Milford; U. M. Hilder, Ennis; H. C. Holmes, Little Elm.

The meeting reconvened Wednesday morning. The program was taken up and the unfinished part disposed of. During the morning session, the paper sent in by C. W. Thomas of Pottsboro was read. A paper was read by W. E. Davis of Sherman. Nat Edmondson of Sherman was selected for superintendent of the swine department of the Dallas fair and G. P. Lillard of Seguen for the San Antonio fair. A committee to select judges for the swine department at the Dallas fair was named as follows: G. P. Lillard, Seguen; John W. Stewart, Jr., Sherman; Tom Frazier, Copperel. A resolution was passed urging the Dallas fair management to separate show stock at the fair. It was claimed that the placing of cattle and swine under the same shed created inconvenience. The discussion regarding the ringing of the nose to prevent rooting was lively. There seemed to be about an equal division of sentiment. Some argued that progressiveness in swine breeding and raising demanded that the hog be prevented from rooting in order to preserve pasturage and to prevent lots from being torn up. Others contended that it was barbarous to ring or cut a hog's nose and that it injured the hog's growth and general welfare to such an extent as to overcome any advantage of ringing. "The selection of pigs for brood sows" came up for discussion. Again opinions diverged. Some made selection at weaning time while others deferred until the pig is more developed—from six to eight months old. H. E. Singleton said he got best results by selecting the lengthy, rather loose shaped pig for breeding purposes.

"Feeding hogs for profit" was discussed thoroughly. For pasture alfalfa had the most friends, but it is not successfully raised in in many parts of the state. Next to alfalfa came in their order oats, wheat and sorghum. It was thought that pigs should be well fed and cared for from the start—keep the growth and development under way throughout, and that such management is economy. The old idea that the sow must not be fat for breeding purposes was almost entirely obliterated by the discussion. It was generally agreed that Texas soil and climate make it possible for Texas to compete with any other commonwealth—that the cost of production is not greater in Texas than elsewhere. Land owners and tenants can, at least, afford to raise pigs sufficient for home consumption even at an increased cost for, to use the language of President Frazier, the raiser "is sure to have meat."

The subject of hog cholera was discussed. Fortunately there were few who had experienced any trouble with this disease There were several cases of hog sickness reported, but generally attributed to local sanitary conditions, such as too much dry dust inhaling, filthy pens, impure water or improper food. The meeting adjourned to meet in its regular annual business meeting at the Dallas State Fair the coming fall.

A vote of thanks was given for courtesies extended by the people of McKinney and Collin county. The president announced that interest was on the increase, and that the newspapers are aiding in the work. It is a work that every citizen should feel an interest in developing. Especially every farmer, landlord or tenant, who possibly can should join and attend the association meeting. Among the new attendants Wednesday we noted the following: J. W. Blanton, J. S. Dowell, Avner E. Buck, A. B. Eller, Tuck Hill, Ed Patillo, Wick Graves, McKinney; J. E. Bateman, Celina; D. M. Morgan, Saginaw: J. M. McKimzie, Clarksville; J. B. Drain, Bonham.

One sentiment perhaps not mentioned heretofore, should be noted. J. H. Hicks, of Belton said he found it profitable, and especially pleasant to keep his pigs and hogs gentle. He treats them kindly under all circumstances and they are always glad to see him. This procedure is both humane and profitable and was commended by all.

H. E. Singleton deserves great credit for the interest he manifested in the meeting. He did everything possible to make it a successful meeting to all attending, and the same time looked to McKinney's reputation for hospitality and saw that it did not suffer. Truly, Henry E. Singleton is a man of home-pride as well as of enterprise and prominence in the councils of the swine breeders of Texas.

Sailors For The Wisconsin.

LIEUT-COM. HENRY A. WILEY OF M,KINNEY IN CHARGE OF A SPECIAL TRAIN OF THEM.

Mrs. Dr. T. W. Wiley and J. E. Wiley arrived home from Houston Saturday where they went to meet their son and brother Lieutenant-Commander Henry Wiley of the United States Navy as he passed through enroute to San Francisco. He was in charge of 300 sailors who composed part of the crew of the new battleship Wisconsin. They only had a few minutes to greet him during the brief stop of the train. The following from Saturday's Houston Post concerning the sailors will be of interest to our readers as Lieut. Wiley is an honored McKinney boy:

A special train passed through Houston yesterday over the Southern Pacific loaded with sailors for the United States battleship Wisconsin. The Wisconsin is now at Mare Island navy yard, on the Pacific coast. It is one of the newer battleships of the United States. It has a displacement of 11,556 tons, 10,000 horse power and cost nearly $3,000,000.

There were about 300 sailors aboard the train, and they were in charge of Lieutenant Wiley of the United States navy. The complement of the Wisconsin, officers and men, is more than 500. Those who passed through were from New York, where the greater portion of them enlisted. They came by way of the Cromwell steamship line to New Orleans. At the Crescent City they took a special train over the Southern Pacific to San Francisco. They will arrive at Mare Island next Monday morning.

The entire number of men were healthy looking fellows. Most of them were young men, with a spark of adventure in their eyes, while scattered among them were several old "sea dogs," who are never satisfied unless riding the boisterous waves of the great deep.

Bargain Store.

Don't fail to see the Bargain Store for Queensware, Tinware, Fine Cutlery, Window Shades, Floor Rugs and Sewing Machines.

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TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature ch box. 25c.

A Serious Accident.

Monday night about 9 o'clock as Charles Lindley was leaving town in a one horse buggy he collided with a horse being rode by Jap Hesley. One shaft of the buggy was broken off and the remaining part ran into Hesley's horse to a depth of two feet killing the horse almost instantly. Lindley's horse was forced backwards against Lindley who sustained painful injuries. Hesley was thrown from his horse and also received severe bruises. Both parties were driving at a lively gate when the collision occured. It is a sad example but should serve as a warning against fast driving in the darkness at night.

Ownby-Belew.

Fred Ownby ahd Miss Ethel Belew were happily wedded Sunday Feb. 3rd at Altoga in the presence of many relatives and guests. Rev. J. B. Willbanks of Blue Ridge officiated at the ceremony which took place at 10 a. m. at the home of Mr. Cowan where the bride, who is the popular teacher of Altoga school, was boarding. After the nuptials, the bridal party repaired to the home of the groom's parents, where a bounteous wedding feast was spread and enjoyed. Both contracting parties are numbered among Altoga's most estimable young people. The groom is a son of M. S. (Doc) Ownby, one of the county's foremost citizens. The bride, who is a daughter of Mood Belew now of Emet, I. T., was chiefly reared in McKinney and is a sister of Mrs. Chance, wife of Principal G. H. Chance of the Fairfield school. Her accomplishments of mind and heart make her a helpmeet worthy indeed of him to whom she plighted her truth. May their lives be long, and wedded bliss throughout without a cloud of adversity to mar its sunshine, is the wish of The Democrat. Ye editors were graciously remembered by Mr. and Mrs. Ownby with a box of wedding cake which also made "two more hearts beat as one" in cordial thanks for the same.

R. R. Time Card

H. & T. C.

North bound.	Cannon ball	5:21	a. m.
"	No 3	9:47	a. m
"	No. 15	3:27	p. m
"	No. 1	9:15	p. m
South bound	No. 2	6:51	a. m.
"	No. 16	1:53	p. m
"	No. 4	6:50	p. m
	Cannon Ball	11:00	a. m.

EAST LINE

Passenger leaves	11:15	a. m
Local "	2:10	p. m
Passenger, arrives	4.14	p. m
Local "	10:30	p. m

Local News.

Attorney W. R. Abernathy was in Sherman Tuesday.

Groceries, staple and fancy, at Cebe Houston's.

Prof. S. C. Creswell was among Anna's visitors here Saturday.

Quality and prices to suit you at Cebe Houston's grocery store.

J. L. Franklin returned Saturday from a busines trip to Plano.

S. W. Kemp of Fayburg called to see us while in town Monday.

Kindly remember to pay your subscription when you read this.

Tom L. McMullen is out again after a continued spell of sickness.

T. J. Davidson of Biggers will keep posted this year by reading The Democrat.

Dr. S. J. Dabbs and Frank Dunn represented Altoga First Monday,

Take your chickens, eggs and butter to Cebe Houston.

L. C. Clifton spent Friday and Saturday in Greenville on legal business.

When you want good groceries at reasonable prices go to Cebe Houston.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church served a fine dinner First Monday in the Bingham block.

The best barbers in town at the Foote House Barber Shop, W. T. Richardson, proprietor.

W. F. Boyer, a wide-awake citizen of Ardath, gave us a pleasant call Monday.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

B. C. Reynolds, Fayburg's widely known citizen, greeted friends on our streets Monday.

Best shaves in McKinney and keenest razors at the Foote House Barber Shop, W. T. Richardson, proprietor.

Mrs. Floyd Weeks came up from Dallas Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Stewart, at Vineland.

Why not make your rooms comfortable and pretty? You can buy wall paper so cheap now at City Drug Store.

V. S. Ward of Galveston called to see us Monday. He is a survivor of the late storm that played such havoc with the island city.

Henry Johnson, one of Chambliss' most enterprising farmers, was in town Monday.

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H. E. Singleton shipped a fine Poland China Tuesday, to N. B. Harrell, Celeste, Texas.

Our friends are requested to solicit their neighbors to subscribe for The Democrat.

I. E. Thomas, J. M. Peters and Mrs. Waldrup are among our latest subscribers at Biggers.

Call at The Democrat office for legal blanks, deeds, mortgages, bills of sales, notes &c.

T. J. Fuller of Roland adds his name to our large and growing list.

Pure Old Rye or Sour Mash Whiskies, Apple Brandy and Wines for medicinal and family uses, at City Drug Store.

Revs. J. B. Wilbanks of Blue Ridge and W. T. Newsome of Lucas attended the ministers' meeting in our city Monday morning.

Cebe Houston, successor to Goostree & Houston, is ready to wait on all old patrons and welcome new ones into his grocery house.

J. M. Odle, of Princeton, wanting to keep posted in the Twentieth century events, dropped a dollar and will read The Democrat.

For the best hair cut or shave in town go to H. F. (Frank) Hibbit's new barber shop on East Louisiana street. 50-4t.

T. J. Fuller, formerly of Callis, but now of Roland, orders The Democrat sent to his presen address.

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M. L. Williams has our thanks for relieving an aching void in the depths of our attenuated pocketbook, which moves his figures up another year.

Those who are in arrears with their subscription to The Democrat should examine the date on the address of their paper and remit amount due at once. We need the money.

L. A. Kincaid and son, Bert, came over from Wolfe City Monday on business and spent the night with his half brother, J. L. Todd, and wife. Mr. Kincaid conducts a livery stable business at Wolfe City.

If you want your relatives and friends in other states to get a nice newsy letter from old Collin just hand The Democrat a dollar and it will visit them 52 times during the year. Call or write us.

J. R. Self has bought the Brannon interest of the firm of Self & Brannon. Mr. Self has moved the stock to Quinlan where he will reside in the futurs. R. C. Wylie, Peter Myers and J. R. Self have formed a partnership and the new firm will do a general merchandise business at Quinlan. We are glad that Mr. Wylie does not contemplate moving.—Merit Cor. in Farmersville Seatinel.

Begin the 20th century by getting your groceries at Cebe Houston's.

Mrs. John P. A. Wallace has been among the indisposed of our city for the past two or three weeks.

J. T. Davis and wife living just east of town are the happy parents of a big 15-pound boy. The new comer arrived Friday night.

County Judge Faulkner officiated at the marriage of T. F. White and Miss Essie Smith which occurred Saturday in the court house.

L. Donaldson and J. A. Furr, two of Collins good citizens at Biggers, have ordered the "old reliable" and for many months will read The Democrat.

A little four-year-old son of Jim Lane of Little Elm died Monday night of yellow jaundice and was buried at Bethel Tuesday.

Arthur Anderson is again with J. E. Wiley's grocery. Titus Keen resigned the position to accept a position with Taylor & White insurance agency.

T. C. Shields of Roland was a pleasant caller at our office Monday. He tried The Democrat one year and came in to order us to continue to send it as he is well pleased with it.

Beware of imitatious. Take none but the genuine. 'Tis the best that is imitated. That is why Mead's old Canada Rye, the original and only genuine, is imitated. Get the pure and genuine only at City Drug Store, sole agency for 8 years.

H. H. Hoskins of Anna gave us a pleasant call Monday. Mr. Hoskins is an old time patron of The Democrat who says that he and his family are anxious to receive it each week.

J. F. Ragsdale who has received The Democrat from its initial number—seventeen years ago, renews his subscription. He has paid into its till over $20. We are proud of such substantial support.

Mrs. Miller, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Gerrish, in this city the past five months, left yesterday for her home in St. Louis. Many friends regret her departure and look forward with pleasure to the time when she shall again visit in our midst.

Sunday night a barn was destroyed by fire belonging to Tom Hawkins at Little Elm. There were 400 bushels of corn, 300 bushels of cotton seed, 3 tons of hay and a new grain binder destroyed.

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Perjurer Esterhazy

He is Now a Penniless and Despised Wreck in London Slums.

Alive, though barely living, a mere wreck and a beggar, swindler, traitor, perjurer and villain rolled into one, Count Esterhazy, the central figure in the notorious Dreyfus case and the real criminal, wanders about the slums of London, seeking alms.

It is a strange story, this tale of Esterhazy, soldier of fortune, now doomed to die in poverty, seeking aid from the very man he had wronged. Of all the adventurers to whom London has given shelter from the days when Benedict Arnold, the outcast traitor of the Continental armies, sought its gloomy precincts for a hiding place, none has been more picturesque than Esterhazy.

None of those, even among French army officers, who listened to the developments of the great trial at Rennes, unless too blinded by passion or fear, self-interest or guilt, but now owns to himself that Esterhazy was the real traitor and Dreyfus the scapegoat. None but realize now, in magnificent defiance of the great influence of the French army general staff, that brazen individual traveled about in France in absolute freedom, knowing that the authorities dared not molest him. From the day when he first sold military secrets to Count von Schwarzkoppen, to the very last day of his appearance at Rennes, he lied, lied inconsistently and persistently, and boasted that he lied, that he forged and that he lied and forged by the orders of his superiors. Yet no one cross-questioned him, for, back of Esterhazy's hazy talk, all knew there lay a fund of real information concerning French military affairs which the unhampered adventurer was only too ready to divulge if he were presssed.

Esterhazy's life is a romance—a mediaeval romance, if you please, but a dirty, bedraggled, mercenary, sordid romance. To begin with, Esterhazy, though born in France, is not a Frenchman. A descendant of a Hungarian family, he is not a Hungarian. Once a soldier in the German army, he is not the least bit a German. For some years an officer in the Papal Guards, he despises and scoffs at the Catholic faith. Ready on a time to offer his services to the Sultan, he would disdain to be regarded as even tolerant of the Turks. He is a mercenary of the 17th century, living in the 20th, without country, scruple or conscience.

After his flight from Paris and advent in London Esterhazy appealed to his former colleagues in the French army for aid. He was ignored. Then he appealed to the Jews, one of whose race he had sent to Devil's Island. He was again ignored. Finally he appealed to Dreyfus himself, offering to exonerate him. His offer was met with silence. His audacity could go no further and so the scoundrel is to-day in want, spurned on every side.

Advices from Queensland state that there has been a terrible drouth in the central and southern districts of that province, the best pastoral country in the island continent. Down the Warrego there has been great loss and on one station out of a stock of over 30,000 cattle only 500 were left, the run being literally covered with carcasses. All through the Maranoa and away westward from the Warrego into south Australia the country has been devastated, the stock being practically exterminated over more than 100,000 square miles. This is the ugly danger of a squatter's life in the Australian back blocks, and those who have had the experience of riding for days across a country and seeing the cattle lying in their thousands dying of thirst are not likely to forget the nightmare.

HARD CRITICISM.

Children Very Critical in Judgment of Reading Matter.

I wonder if the boys and girls know how hard they are to please in the matter of reading? They are very critical and their judgment is severe and uncompromising. They read a thing and they like it or they do not, and they praise or condemn just in accordance with their taste or dislike for the writer's work without consideration of other people's preference. If a story appeals to the children, they pronounce it good; if it does not, they declare it is poor, even though their disapproval may arise from the subject. They never take into consideration the fact that even if a certain fairy tale is not interesting to them because they do not care for fairy tales, it may be very attractive to others. In their own minds, their own opinion is universal. Some children never outgrow this autocratic and egotistical method of criticism, and they become very disagreeable and intolerable to broader minds. The habit of denouncing or lauding a book or an article just because it suits their ideas or does not is one which spreads itself to other instances and the entire nature becomes narrow and unbearable. Children begin sometimes when they see another child's composition or poem in the paper by questioning why it was used. They could do much better themselves, and they knew many others whose ability was superior; so why should that poorer essay be published? To please them they are asked to write something showing their superiority, and almost invariably they are too busy or somebody does not approve or there is some other excuse, and their greater ability is never proved. And so it goes. It would be very wise if these critical young judges would think a while before they express themselves so forcibly. They might becomingly cultivate a softer attitude toward people who are using up brains to please them and a more tolerant spirit toward other people's different tastes. They would then not only make themselves more agreeable to their associates, but they would eventually find pleasure for themselves in the works which they formerly would not concede worthy, even of other people's time.—New York Press.

Oldest Hotel in the World.

The oldest hotel in the world is situated at Regensburg (Ratisbon), in Bavaria. The Goldenes Kreuz (Golden Cross) in that town, which is said to have had an existence of over seven centuries, is the oldest hotel in the world. Many historic personages have stayed there, and many notable scenes and events have occurred within its walls. Ferdinand I. halted there on his way to his coronation in 1531. Karl V. stayed there in 1546. John of Austria, the defender of Europe against the Turks, was born in 1547. In the visitors' book are the names, amongst others, of the old Emperor William of Germany, the Emperor and Empress of Austria, the Emperor Frederick, the Emperor of Brazil and Prince Louis Bonaparte, who resided there in 1824, before he became Napoleon III. The Emperor Maximilian spent his honeymoon there. The room occupied by Prince Bismarck when he stayed there with the Emperor is preserved as he left it. The Seven Stars, Withy Green, Manchester, England, has been a licensed hostelry for over 540 years, the first license having been granted in 1356.

Home of Naval Secrets.

One of the most exclusive laboratories under the British admiralty is situated at Haslar, near Portsmouth, and is used mainly for secret experiments and models, says a London correspondnet. No strangers can enter the gates without giving a clear statement as to his object. Even the prime minister would not be allowed to enter unless armed with an order signed by the first lord of the admiralty. A casual visitor lucky enough to be admitted must leave his camera at the gates, and on the first attempt to take notes he is conducted beyond the pale.

A wise man adorns his mind; a fool adorns his body.

HOGG HEARD.

The Ex-Governor Speaks on the Constitutional Amendments.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 6.—Ex-Gov. James S. Hogg Tuesday afternoon addressed the senate and house committees on constitutional amndments in the house chamber on his proposed amendment to the constitution. Besides the members of the committee most of the members of the house and senate and many private citizens and ladies were present. Ex-Gov. Hogg was introduced by Chairman Shannon of the house committee. The ex-governor delivered his address from the speaker's stand.

He stated that he had engaged to leave the state soon and in anticipation of that had announced his intention to deliver an address at the operahouse Later a resolution was introduced extending an invitation, "with a hole in it," to speak in the house. The action on that resolution was history and the public knew how the "supposed" courtesy had been extended.

He challenged any man to a joint discussion of the proposed amendments over the state and expressed contempt for any man who attacked his principles where he could not reply. He said the proposed amendments involved three issues, as follows:

1. That there are $200,000,000 of bonds and stocks on the railroads of Texas upon which the people must pay $7,000,000 annually without consideration.

2. That the railroads pay annually $2,000,000 for political purposes and to maintain a lobby at Austin.

3. That last year the railroads issued 232,000 passes.

He discussed the negative side of each one of these propositions.

He went into the details of the issuance of stocks and bonds. He cited the case of one road which was able to pay 4 1-5 per cent upon stocks and bonds aggregating $24,000,000. "Now, by gatlins, kick against that, won't you?" he said.

To this cause he dedicated "his head, heart and hand, and to combat these frauds" he tendered his personal, professional and political services. He challenged any man to meet him on this question. "Give Texas liberty to speak on the side of justice against fraud," he declared.

He paid a high tribute to the railroad commission and eulogized Judge Reagan, whom he called a great commissioner. He warned the legislature not to hamper the commission by "monkeying with its powers."

He discussed railroad accounts under the head of "general expenses." In non-political years these accounts were level and normal. During campaign years "strange humps" appeared in these accounts.

In discussing free passes he said it was with "diffidence that he approached so delicate a subject before so imposing an assemblage," which caused a laugh. He discussed the pass question at some length.

Legislative.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 6.—In the senate Tuesday Mr. Patterson secured the final passage of his bill authorizing school corporations to donate or sell school trustees property to be used for school purposes.

A letter from David B. Hill was read in which he expressed his regrets at not being able to accept the invitation to addres sthe Texas legislature.

A number of bills were introduced.

In the house the bill to reorganize the ranger foce was engrossed.

Dr. Carpenter Buried.

Sherman, Tex., Feb. 6.—The body of Dr. John. C. Carpenter was buried at West Hill cemetery under the auspices of the grand commandery, Knights Templar of Texas, of which for twenty years he has been the grand prelate. Almost every member of the grand commandery was here. At 10 a. m., with a guard of honor from Invisible Friends commandery No. 13 of this city, the body was taken from the late residence, corner of Mulberry and Crockett streets, and placed in state in the Second Baptist church, of which he was a communicant and of which he was formerly pastor. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. They came from Blue lodges, Royal Arch chapters. Orders of the Eastern Star and commanderies all over the state. The rostrum and pulpits were banks of flowers in emblematic designs of square and compass, the keystone, maltese cross and star. Among the prettiest was one from Hella Temple, Shriners.

Short Session.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 6.—The grand lodge was not called together Tuesday until 2 o'clock in the afternoon on account of the late hour at which they adjourned the night before, and also to give the committees time in which to formulate their reports.

The afternoon session was short and no night session was held on account of several committees which were not ready to report. San Antonio holds next meeting.

Directors Named.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 6.—The governor sent to the senate on Tuesday for confirmation by that body the following appointments as directors of the agricultural and mechanical college of Texas; M. Sansom of Johnson county, F. A. Reichardt of Harris county, J. W. Kokernot of Bexar county, P. H. Tobin of Grayson county, A. C. Oliver of Cass county, A. P. Smyth of Limestone county and William Malone of Comal county.

HOGG INVITED.

The Resolution Requesting Him to Speak Went Through.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 5.—The speaker laid before the house the resolution to invie ex-Gov. Hogg to deliver an address in the house chamber. The question recurred on the motion of Mr. Grisham of Collin to take the resolution and the amendment offered by Mr. Garner of Uvalde, which provided that ex-Gov. Hogg be invited to address the joint committee on constitutional amendments. By an aye and noe vote the motion was lost—33 to 63. The question recurred on the motion of Mr. Garner to table subject to call. By an aye and noe vote the motion was lost—37 to 57.

The speaker overruled a point of order by Mr. McFall of Travis that the Garner amendment was not germain.

Mr. Satterwhite of Freestone offered the following substitute:

Whereas, ex-Gov. Hogg has been invited to address the joint committee on constitutional amendments Tuesday evening; be it

Resolved, That when the house adjourns for noon Wednesday that it stand adjourned until Wednesday morning at 9:30.

The substitute was declared out of order.

The question recurred on the amendment of Mr. Garner of Uvalde.

Mr. Napier of Wood moved the previous question and it was so ordered.

At this point only six minutes remained for the consideration of the resoluton and its opponents demanded the ayes and nays. Mr. Garner called the attention to the fact that he was entitled to close the debate, and could alk the resoluion o death; but he would occupy only a minute. He urged the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Garner's amendment to invite ex-Gov. Hogg to address the committee on constitutional amendments was adopted—69 to 28.

The time having expired, no vote was taken on the resolution, and it went over until Tuesday.

The speaker laid before the house the bill by Mr. Schluter to require judges to deliver their charges to juries before counsel begin the argument.

Mr. Seabury offered an amendment limiting the mandatory operation of the bill to district courts, and permitting its operaton as to couny courts. The amendment was accepted. The prevous question was ordered.

Mr. Schluter moved that the bill be engrossed.

By an aye and nay vote the bill was engrossed—74 to 20.

Mr. Ragland of Camp moved to consider the house concurrent resolution providing for a sine die adjournment on April 1. The motion was defeated.

Mr. Shaw of Dallas moved to take up out of the regular order the bill to permit counties to refund bonds issued since 1895. The motion prevailed. The bill was engrossed.

Mr. Kyle of Hays moved to take up the bill to reorganize the ranger force, out of the regular order. The motion prevailed.

The speaker announced that he would hereafter entertain no requests from members to be recognized for th purpose of calling up bills.

The Odd Fellows.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 5.—The sixty-first annual session of the Texas grand lodge of Odd Fellows commenced Monday.

Grand Master Anderson gave a detailed account of the work of the past year, showing a most gratifying condition of affairs.

The report of Grand Secretary Fahm was read. He gave in detail the transactions in his office during the year. He said that the order in Texas was more prosperous and active than ever before in its history, and called attention to the work of the order after the Galveston storm. He said that the receipts of the order during the year were larger by $22,000 than at any time in the past.

Following officers were installed: G. T. Streeter, grand master; J. R. Gough, deputy; Z. S. Kerr, grand warden; G. C. Fahm, grand secretary; S. W. Porter, grand treasurer; Theodore A. Reisner, grand messenger; Rev. H. W. Laye, grand chaplain; W. H. McWilliams, grand marshal; George W. Curtis, grand conductor; J. D. Alexander, grand guardian.

George Bowie, colored, was fatally stabbed at Call, Tex.

Congressman Stephens will oppose Flynn's homestead entry bill.

Patriarchs Militant.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 5.—The Patriarchs Militant installed the following officers: George A. McCorkle, grand patriarch; C. L. Elder, grand high priest; Harry L. Eels, grand senior warden; J. W. Butler, grand junior warden; Charles L. Sauer, grand scribe; S. W. Porter, grand treasurer. J. Bell was appointed grand marshal; J. R. Parker, grand sentinel; W. R. House, deputy grand sentinel.

Killed Outright.

Paris, Tex., Feb. 5.—From persons in the city from Delta county full particulars were learned of the storm which occurred on Blue Prairie, Ben Franklin. The little village of Rattan, about six miles west of Cooper, was almost wiped out. The Baptist and Christian churches, two stores and the postoffice were blown away, two persons were killed outright, a third has since died and it is thought two or three will die.

LIBEL BILL DISCUSSED

In the Senate and the House Pass Interurban Railway Measure.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 1.—The senate Thursday engrossed and finally passed a bill by Mr. Harris of Hunt to authorize the sale and release of all the interest held by the state and the Confederate home, acquired under the last will of J. E. Allen, deceased, late of Hunt county, to certain lands situated in said county.

The chair laid before the senate the special order, a bill by Mr. Staples, defining civil libel, slander and defamation of character; defining priviledged communications; providing for rules of evidence therein. The bill was pending with a favorable majority and adverse minority reports, also a substitute for the entire bill. The substitute is offered by Senator Staples and is the bill drawn by the State Press association.

Mr. McGee offered an amendment striking out of the substitute section 4, which makes defendants to suits parties who furnished the information, which is complained of.

Mr. Staples said that there was no objection to the amendment, that the purpose of the provision was to prevent the indiscriminate handling in of news items by outside parties. It was adopted.

Senator Harris of Hunt read to the senate several strong letters hearing on the subject one by E. G. Senter, addressed to Gov. Sayers, upon which the latter based his recommendation to the last legislature urging the necessity of a libel law.

Mr. McGee re-offered his first amendment applying it to section 2. Lost—12 ayes and 16 nays.

Mr. Davidson of DeWitt offered an amendment providing that all typesetting machine and printing presses used in printing libelous matter shall be responsible in any judgment obtained against any person who has used same to make the libelous publication.

Senators Staples and Harris of Hunt opposed the adoption of the amendment, which was lost—12 ayes, 15 nays.

Mr. Grinnan secured the adoption of an amendment providing that the bill shall not repeal the penal code on criminal libel.

Mr. Hanger offered an amendment striking out of the provison justifying the publication of privileged matter the following: "And shall not be made the basis of any action for libel without proof of actual malice."

Mr. Hanger spoke in support of his amendment and took occasion to state that he is not hostile to fair libel legislation.

Senator Harris of Bexas made a spirited talk in advocacy of the passage of the bill, and said that Thomas Jefferson, in his writings, referred twenty times to the freedom of the press. He said that the pressof the state does not desire license, but liberty, which they have not now. Mr. Harris said further that it is the unanimous demand of the press of the state. He also related a few of the many things that the press can not handle under the present law.

Amendment was adopted.

The interurban railway bill, intended primarily to assist the Dallas-Fort Worth electric line, was finally passed by the house and afterwards brought up on motion to reconsider the vote, and was passed so as to adopt the emergency clause. This, however, was not accomplished without a narrow squeeze, that might have postponed the adoption of the bill for a week.

Senator Hanger made a "personal appeal" to the senate to suspend for a moment in order to grant the request of the house to return his intururban bill for corerction. Adjourn ment followed.

When the bill came up on third reading, amendments were offered by Messrs. Hogsett and Morrow, somewhat in line with the amendments. They were voted down and the bill was finely passed. The vote, however, was viva voce and this did not carry with it the emergency clause.

Later Mr. Wells of Grayson moved to reconsider, in order that the roll might be called and the emergency clause adopted for the benefit of the Denison-Sherman line. Amendments offered by the gentlemen above named were voted down and the bill was finally passed by the two-thirds vote necessary to give the emergency clause effect.

A bill has been introduced in Nevada legislature to prohibit prize fights.

Favorable Report.

Austin, Tex., Feb. 1.—Senate judiciary committee No. 1 reported bills as follows:

Favorably on a bill by Mrs. Harris of Hunt, providing for the survival of causes of action in case of injuries, resulting in dear where the wrong-doer dies before the suit is instituted.

Favorably on a bil lby Ms. Davidson of Galveston, amending the mechanic's lien law so as to permit the execution of liens for filling lots washed.

Pillsbury at Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 1.—The Dallas Whist, Chess and Checkers club Thursday entertained Harry N. Pillsbury, the champion chess player of the United State and who, in the Paris tourment during the World's fair, fell only one point behind Lasker, who won the world's championship. As a blindfolded player Mr. Pillsbury has an undisputed claim to being the greatest i nthe world. None of his feats have been equaled by any one now living. He played several games here.

THE NERVES OF WOMEN

"I am so nervous and wretched." "I feel as if I should fly." How familiar these expressions are! Little things annoy you and make you irritable. You can't sleep, you are unfit for ordinary duties, and are subject to dizziness.

That bearing-down sensation helps to make you feel miserable.

You have backache and pains low down in the side, pain in top of head, later on at the base of the brain.

Such a condition points unerringly to serious uterine trouble.

If you had written to Mrs. Pinkham when you first experienced impaired vitality, you would have been spared these hours of awful suffering.

Happiness will be gone out of your life forever, my sister, unless you act promptly. Procure **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** at once. It is absolutely sure to help you. Then write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., if there is anything about your case you do not understand.

You need not be afraid to tell her the things you could not explain to the doctor—your letter is seen only by women and is absolutely confidential. Mrs. Pinkham's vast experience with such troubles enables her to tell you just what is best for you, and she will charge you nothing for her advice.

Mrs. Valentine Tells of Happy Results Accomplished by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It is with pleasure that I add my testimony to your list, hoping it may induce others to avail themselves of the benefit of your valuable remedy. Before taking **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** I felt very bad, was terribly nervous and tired, had sick headaches, no appetite, gnawing pain in stomach, pain in my back and right side, and so weak I could scarcely stand. I was not able to do anything. Had sharp pains all through my body. Before I had taken half a bottle of your medicine, I found myself improving. I continued its use until I had taken four bottles, and felt so well that I did not need to take any more. I am like a new person, and your medicine shall always have my praise."—MRS. W. P. VALENTINE, 566 Ferry Avenue, Camden, N. J.

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Pardoned After 12 Years

Alleged Murderers Proved Innocent After Lone Confinement.

After serving 12 years of a life sentence for the murder of John Wilson Barron, cashier of the Dexter (Me.) Savings Bank, two prisoners in the State's prison at Thomaston, Me., were released from confinement, recently, they having been proven innocent of the crime of which they were found guilty. The two men, David L. Stain and Oliver Cromwell, are to-day sad wrecks of the sturdy specimens of physical manhood who entered the prison gates in the latter '80s. One of them is 70 years old and the other 71, and both are so enfeebled by their confinement that they cannot long live to enjoy liberty. The crime of which they were found guilty and for which they suffered occurred February 22, 1878. Cashier Barron, of the Dexter Bank, was on that evening found bound and gagged in the vault of the bank, and he died the next day without recovering consciousness. The crime was for long a mystery, and it was not until about a decade later, in October, 1887, that Cromwell and Stain were arrested. The information which led to their arrest was given by Charles F. Stain and John F. Harvey, son and brother-in-law respectively of Stain. Stain's story was that in November, 1877, he accompanied his father and two other men, one of whom was Cromwell, to Dexter, where a study of the bank surroundings was made. The three, he said, made another trip to the place in February of the following year, but he did not accompany them. All the details of the trip were given him in 1883, however, he claimed, by his father, who when he lay sick and delirious, described how he, Cromwell and another man had entered the bank on February 22, 1878, and unexpectedly finding the cashier there had bound and gagged him and placed him in the vault, to prevent an alarm being given. Harvey said Cromwell had confessed to him that he had participated in the murder. Popular opinion was strongly against the accused and they were convicted, notwithstanding the fact that both Stain and Harvey had grievances against the prisoners and it was thought they might have taken this way to have revenge. Friends of the convicted men kept on working in their behalf and finally had secured undeniable proof that the prisoners were at Medfield, Mass., 300 miles from Dexter, Me., when the crime was committed. The result of their endeavors is the release of the wrongfully convicted parties.

Living in Cuba

Army Officers Find it Difficult to Make Ends Meet.

When Gen. Leonard Wood was in Washington he talked very freely about the conditions in Cuba, writes a correspondent. One of the interesting points he made was the expense which army officers are under, pointing out that very few officers care to serve in Cuba simply because the expenses are so great. It was, of course, known that all the army officers under Spanish regime had various ways of securing money other than their regular salary allowance. It was stated on good authority before the Spanish war that every army officer from the captain general down to first lieutenants had a way of securing certain bribes and rake-offs, perquisites which American officers never had, never will take, and which would not be compatible with service in the United States army. Although Gen. Wood receives a double salary, that is, $7,500 as major general of volunteers and a like amount from the Cuban revenues as governor of Cuba, he says that it is more difficult for him to maintain himself in the big rambling palace at Havana than it would be in the United States with a much smaller allowance. The governor general is expected to entertain the captain of every ship that comes into Cuba, and all of the commercial delegations that come from South America and elsewhere are generally his guests when they arrive. Some of his best officers, he says, have asked to be transferred to other service because they find their expenses so high that they are unable to meet them. "They say that they just can't stand it and are getting poorer every month they remain," said Gen. Wood, "and I know from personal experience that such is the case. On this account, if no other, the officers of the United States army will be glad when they are no longer serving in Cuba."